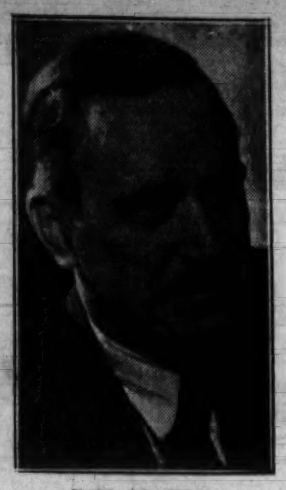

EARL BROWDER

Browder Speaks at Y.C.L. Garden Rally Tomorrow

TO TALK ON THE '1940 ELECTIONS—HOW THE PEOPLE CAN WIN'

Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, will discuss the "1940 Elections — How the People Can Win" tomorrow evening in Madison Square Garden, when he opens the Ninth National Convention of the Young Communist League.

Browder will report on the recently concluded meeting of the National Committee of the Communist Party, where 250 leading officials of the organization discussed problems of all sections of the country. He will also analyze the recent developments in the international situation.

The opening session of the YCL convention will be followed by four days of panel meetings participated in by 1,000 delegates of the 22,000 members in the youth organization. The convention sessions will be held in Hotel Center.

Joining with Browder in opening the national parley at Madison Square Garden will be Gil Green, president of the YCL; Angelo Herndon, vice-president; and John Gates, officer in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Literature Takes Up Its Arms
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WEATHER

Local—Light showers tonight, Wednesday partly cloudy, slightly warmer and cooler at night.

Eastern New York—Showers tonight, Wednesday fair.

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PRESIDENT GETS PLEDGES FOR EFFORT TO REACH A COAL PACT BY TONIGHT

Miners, Operators Meet with FDR for Hour and Quarter

By Adam Lapin

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—President Roosevelt today succeeded in bringing about a resumption of negotiations between the United Mine Workers and the soft coal operators in an effort to end the lock-out which has meant unemployment for close to 500,000 workers.

The President asked the two committees of five each representing both sides who conferred with him for an hour and a quarter at noon to report back to him by tomorrow night with a formula which will solve the situation.

At this afternoon press conference the President said he had received pledges that an effort to work out a solution would be made within this time limit. Conferences will be continued tomorrow at 10 A.M., at the Biltmore Hotel in New York.

SITUATION SEEN SERIOUS

Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins' statement yesterday criticizing the coal operators for refusing to accept the repeated offers of the union to keep the mines working while negotiations were going on, was considered an example of this type of pressure. Whether the President had personally undertaken similar moves was not known.

The President tersely summarized his discussions with the representatives of the miners and the operators to newspapermen. He made it plain that he considered the situation extremely serious.

He said, also, that the desirability ferees that the public good demands that they reach an immediate agreement and resume coal operations at once.

The President said he had asked the negotiators to consider first of all that they are American citizens and owe an obligation to the country as a whole.

Then he announced that he had made a request for continuous negotiations without interruption all day tomorrow until some formula is worked out by evening.

Giving a birds-eye view of the situation as he saw it, the President expressed the belief that there was agreement on major issues between the conferees.

It was clear when the negotiations began on March 14, he said, that there was no insuperable obstacle as far as the agreement on hours, wages and working conditions was concerned.

AGREE BASICALLY, HE SAYS

On the issue which is now at stake, the President continued, all will agree that they were willing to go along the principle of vertical unionism with the recognition of the United Mine Workers as the bargaining agency.

They haven't been able to work out details, he said. Their objective is the same, the President emphasized.

Asked about a strikebreaking telegram from Joe Ozanic, head of the A. F. of L. affiliated Progressive Miners, demanding that the United Mine Workers not be recognized as the collective bargaining agency, the President said that he had not seen the telegram and pointed out that he received hundreds of telegrams in the course of a day.

The President said that he had not in any sense taken over the negotiations, and that John R. Steelman, head of the Labor Department Conciliation Service, was still the official government representative.

Sitting in at the conference were Secretary Perkins and James F. Dewey, Labor Department troubleshooter.

Headed by Lewis, the mine workers' delegation included Philip Murray, John Owens, Van A. Bittner, and David J. McDonald.

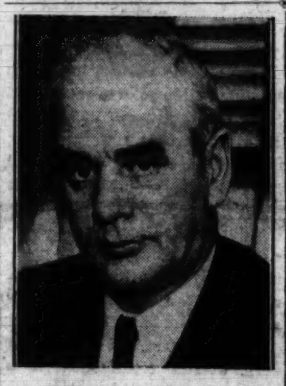
Representatives of the operators were Walter Robinson, John D. A. Morrow, Lee Gunther, Charles O'Neill and L. T. Putnam.

Tory 1940 Hope Is NLRA Attack, Murray Says

Vice-President of the CIO in Radio Speech Charges Republicans and Anti-New Deal Democrats Join Hands to Kill Wagner Act

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—Philip Murray, CIO vice-president charged tonight that an attempt to keep labor divided during the 1940 Presidential campaign and thus elect reactionaries is the real purpose behind the current drive to amend the Wagner Act.



PHILIP MURRAY

In a nationwide radio address, he said that certain "backward-looking craft union leaders" have joined with tory politicians and with die-hard industrialists in an effort to achieve this purpose.

He declared that on the political front "the opposition to the Wagner Act is led by reactionary Republicans and certain anti-New Deal Democrats who have not scrupled to join the Republicans in this attack on the outstanding piece of legislation put through by the Democratic administration."

Murray said that these reactionaries are fully aware of the effect their amendments will have in keeping the CIO and the A. F. of L. divided; but they desire to continue their labor division in the hope that it may lead to a victory for reaction in 1940.

"In this hope that are joined by reactionaries of the A. F. of L. executive council who have constantly been irying to throw the the Federation's weight on the tory side, regardless of the overwhelming pro-New Deal sentiment of the A. F. of L. membership."

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Other important developments which came as the fight over amendments to the Wagner Act reached a new intensity included:

1. Testimony by George G. Kidwell, director of the Department of Industrial Relations of California, before the Senate Labor Committee, substantiating CIO charges of collusion between A. F. of L. chiefs and employers.

2. A statement by CIO Counsel Lee Pressman charging that the A. F. of L. leaders are attempting to make "a back door deal with the Labor Board."

3. A meeting of the A. F. of L.

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Fur Delegates Vote Support To Mine Union

Standing Ovation Greets Telegram from Lewis

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 9.—Delegates to the 13th Biennial Convention of the International Fur Workers of the CIO today received a rousing standing ovation to a telegram from John L. Lewis commending the union for its notabel contribution to the CIO and entire labor movement, and voted full support to the United Mine Workers in their present struggle with the coal barons.

Praising the record of the fur union in the two years since it voted to affiliate with the CIO, Lewis expressed regrets that the continued negotiations for a bituminous contract will prevent his personal appearance to address the convention.

Reading of the General Executive Board's report, covering 160 pages, and dealing with the union's growth and progress during the two years since the last Convention, was punctuated by enthusiastic demonstrations from the delegates, throughout the two sessions devoted to the reading.

Alliance Maps Legal Fight Against Witch-Hunt Probe

Filing a sharp protest with the House Committee Investigating WPA, the Workers Alliance yesterday announced that it will consult with the American Civil Liberties Union on possible legal action against investigators who are attempting to force project workers to state political or union affiliation.

The Alliance objects to questions in the questionnaires being distributed in New York among WPA such as "Are you a member of any alliance, association, society or union?" "If Communist or Workers Alliance who solicited you?" etc.

The Alliance charged that such questions could be used as a basis for discrimination against workers, which is violation of the law under which WPA operates.

As an answer to the witch hunt campaign and to demand higher appropriations for WPA the Workers Alliance will hold a demonstration Saturday 10 A. M. in front of WPA general headquarters, 70 Columbus Ave.

Council Balks Court Reform Move

Debate Rages Over ALP-Fusion Support of Desmond Bill

After two hours of bitter debate, the City Council yesterday defeated a resolution by the Fusion-American Labor Party coalition to place the Council on record in support of the Desmond Bill to return to the city the right to set salaries of court attaches. Roll call vote on the proposition was 15 to 11.

The Council also voted to continue a committee set up to inquire into the employment policy of the World's Fair Corp. after Grover Whalen, president of the fair corporation had notified the commission he would meet with it today. It memorialized the State Legislature for passage of pending bills barring non-official uniforms—a step aimed at the Nazi bund—set a standard size glass for the sale of spirit liquors at bars, and acted upon local ordinances.

Councilman Robert K. Straus, Manhattan Fusionist, brought on the two-hour debate on the Desmond Bill when he moved to discharge the finance committee from consideration to memorialize. In debate Straus pointed out that court salaries are "out of line" with salaries paid city employes in all departments. One chief clerk, he said, got $17,500 a year—**"more than any city commissioner and more than members of the United States Cabinet."**

MORRIS URGES BILL

Councilmanic President Newbold Morris took the floor to plead for passage saying: **"Give me a chance for the first time in the history of the Council to cast the deciding vote."**

Turning over the chair to Vice-Chairman John Cashmore, Mr. Mor-

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Third Aide of Geoghan Jailed For Bribery

Charged With Taking Money from Fur Racketeers

A third assistant to Kings County District Attorney William F. X. Geoghan was indicted yesterday, Alexander A. R. Baldwin, charged with accepting $800 in bribes from a fur racketeer.

Baldwin surrendered to Assistant Attorney General John Harlan Amen in Brooklyn's Borough Hall, after an extraordinary grand jury handed Supreme Court Justice Francis D. McCurn a two-count indictment.

The indictment accused the Geoghan aide of accepting a bribe from Isidore Juffe, Brooklyn fur racketeer now awaiting trial on grand larceny and bribery charges. Baldwin is also accused of accepting a gratuity for neglecting his duty as a prosecutor.

3 ASSISTANT D.A.'s IN NET

Since Amen launched his investigation into law enforcement corruption in Brooklyn, on orders from Governor Lehman, three Brooklyn assistant district attorneys have been indicted. William A. McGuinness, indicted for bribery in September, has pleaded guilty. Francis A. Madden, indicted three weeks ago, was also charged with bribery in connection with the abortion and other rackets.

Baldwin was arrested on a bench warrant, taken to Poplar St. station for formal booking, then to Manhattan police station where he was fingerprinted and photographed and returned for arraignment before Justice McCurn.

Assistant Attorney General Bernal L. Weisman of Amen's staff, said the indictment "represents the high point thus far in the investigation of the Brooklyn fur racket."

It was Juffe's charge that he had paid a bribe which led to the investigation.

Maverick In Mayoralty Race Against Tory Foe

SAN ANTONIO, May 9.—Maury Maverick, Texas liberal, who lost his seat in Congress last fall, attempted a comeback today in a race for Mayor against C. K. Quin, the present Mayor, who is head of the municipal political machine and is Maverick's chief political enemy. Four others, including a woman, also sought the office.

Minneapolis Farm-Labor Vote Rises In Primary

Eide, Its Candidate for Run-Off, to Face Tory; C. P. Vote Increases

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 9.—The Farmer Labor and Trade Union endorsed ticket for the Minneapolis City elections staged a striking comeback into active politics polling a total of 30,875 votes for T. A. Eide, candidate for Mayor, as against the Republican incumbent Mayor Leach who polled 37,487 votes.

Eide, who is secretary and manager of the Franklin Cooperative Creamery and comparative newcomer into politics, will battle it out with Leach on June 12, when a heated campaign is expected.

The combined Farmer Labor and Trade Union forces nominated all but three of the twenty candidates whom they had endorsed.

In all wards but the twelfth, the incumbent Farmer Labor alderman led the ticket. In the twelfth ward, Foley, the Farmer Laborite, will be on the ticket in the run-off.

Third in the running for the mayoralty was Luke Rader, Evangelistic preacher, who polled 13,981 votes. Rader campaigned on an anti-Semitic platform with a fascist tinge. This was cloaked however with a "clean city" platform.

During the campaign an article appeared in the Defender, General Winrod's fascist Silver Shirt paper published in Kansas.

A summary of the mayoralty vote indicates that a substantial majority of the vote was cast in opposition to Mayor Leach and the corrupt city administration which he heads. This was true particularly of the votes cast for Dr. C. M. Roan, who campaigned purely on a platform against crime and racketeering in the city of Minneapolis. Fifth in the running for Mayor was Einar Anderson, Republican, who polled 9,091 votes.

Eide was the only candidate who campaigned on a clear-cut platform bringing forward the benefits of the New Deal, for adequate old age pensions, for improved relief and housing standards, against the sales tax proposed by Mayor Leach and for law enforcement against racketeering and crime.

Roy Weir, organizer of the Central Labor Union, led the entire slate in the race for the school board with a vote of 31,318.

The two Communist-endorsed candidates, Lem Harris and Fred Fine, received a remarkable vote though they did not win the nomination. Fred Fine, Minnesota secretary of the Young Communist League, received 9,140 votes for Park Commissioner, while Lem Harris received 7,418 votes in the race for School Director.

This represented the highest vote ever cast for Communist Party candidates and was a gain of ten times the number of votes received in 1935 which was the last time a Communist ran for office in the city elections.

U.S.S.R. URGES RECIPROCAL GUARANTEE PLEDGES OF AID FROM LONDON, PARIS

4 Baltic Nations Reject Hitler Bid

Norway, Denmark, Finland and Sweden Turn Down Nazi Proposal for Non-Aggression Pact; Ministers in Joint Meeting

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, May 9 (UP).—The foreign ministers of the four Scandinavian nations tonight decided to reject Hitler's proposal that they enter into non-aggression pacts with Nazi Germany.

Germany was revealed last week to have offered the "reciprocal non-aggression" treaties to Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Finland in an effort to "neutralize" Germany's entire northern flank for the eventuality of war.

The Scandinavian foreign ministers rejected the offer, however, on the grounds that they are opposed to entering into alliance.

Hitler, during the last 10 days, has obtained consent of Latvia and Esthonia to such treaties with Germany.

The foreign ministers of the four Scandinavian powers met here at the invitation of Swedish Foreign Minister Richard J. Sandler to frame a policy of joint action in regard to the Nazi proposals.

Meeting with Sandler were Foreign Ministers Peter Munch of Denmark, Halvdan Koht of Norway, and Oskaro Erkko of Finland.

The decision was reached after only one day of consultation because Erkko was required to return to Helsingfors.

Sandler was understood to have taken leadership in opposing any kind of a pact with Germany and was said to have had the support of the Finnish foreign minister. Norway also expressed doubts as to the wisdom of a pact with the Reich.

Sweden, Finland and Norway faced a delicate situation, however, in winning over Denmark which has a frontier with Germany.

MARCEL CACHIN

Cachin Urges Attlee to Unite World Labor

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, May 9.—Senator Marcel Cachin, Chairman of the French Communist Party, today appealed to Major Clement R. Attlee, parliamentary leader of the British Labor Party, to get the support of the Second International for a world labor conference.

"Mr. Attlee knows very well that at the present time the Government of his country, as well as of our own, is not seriously treating the question of a defensive alliance with the Soviet Union," Cachin wrote.

"He has also observed that there still exist too many prejudices and too much resistance to this alliance which is so necessary and so urgent.

"For this reason we ask him if he does not believe, as we do, that united action of the working class

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Tokio Seizes 25 Foreign Ships Off China Coast

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, May 9.—Foreign commercial shipping along the Chinese shores has come almost to a standstill. During the recent period Japanese seized 25 foreign ships, mostly Portuguese. Despite repeated protests by foreign consulates, the ships have not been returned, and several have been sent to Formosa.

Reuter Dispatch on Vow to Aid Soviet Union Denied by Tass

BID ONE-SIDED

Nation Bases PeaceFront on Reciprocity Guarantees

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 9.—Soviet sources tonight made clear that the Soviet Union stands for reciprocal guarantees with Britain and France, through a Tass announcement correcting reports abroad on British counter-proposals.

Tass, the official Soviet news agency, issued the statement in denial of a report carried by Reuters, the semi-official British news service, that Britain and France had expressed willingness to come to the defense of the Soviet Union if it were involved in war as a result of obligations toward countries adjacent to the U. S. S. R.

All that the British counter-proposals offered, the Tass statement revealed, was a one-sided Soviet obligation to come to the aid of Britain and France should they be involved in war because of their obligations to Poland and Rumania.

TEXT OF STATEMENT

The text of the Tass statement follows:

"According to information received from London, Reuters has broadcast a report to the effect that the British reply to the proposals of the U. S. S. R. contains the following basic counter-proposals:

"1. That the Soviet Union must guarantee individually each state bordering on it, and

"2. That Great Britain undertakes to render assistance to the U. S. S. R. should the latter enter war as a result of guarantees it has undertaken.

"On the basis of information received from authoritative Soviet circles, Tass is in a position to state that this Reuters report does not fully conform to the facts.

"On May 8, the Soviet Government actually received the British Government's 'counter-proposals,' to which the French Government raised no objections either.

"These proposals do not state that the Soviet Government must guarantee individually each state bordering on the U. S. S. R. It was therein stated that the Soviet Government must immediately render assistance to Great Britain and France should they be drawn into military operations in fulfilment of obligations undertaken by them with respect to Poland and Rumania.

"In the British Government's 'counter-proposals,' however, nothing is said regarding any assistance which the Soviet Union should, on the basis of reciprocity, receive from France and Great Britain if the Soviet Union were likewise drawn into military operations in fulfilment of obligations it has undertaken with respect to some of the other states of eastern Europe."

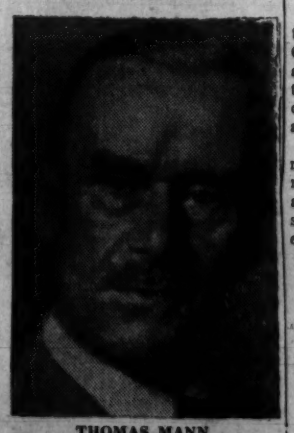
Mann Urges Struggle for Democracy At Writers Congress Session at Fair

By Beth McHenry

The great writer Thomas Mann yesterday passionately urged all writers to climb down from their non-political towers and plunge into the struggle for democracy.

In a speech rich with feeling and fact, delivered at the Third Session of the Writers Congress summoned by International P.E.N. at the World's Fair, Mr. Mann pointed bitterly to the result of the German intellectuals' aloof "anti-political" notion of culture.

"I see now," the exiled writer declared, "that it was a mistake for the German citizen to believe that a man could be cultured and non-political. I realize that culture is in danger, when it lacks the instinct and the desire to understand the political. In short an acknowledgement of the democratic ideal rose to my lips. Where should I be today, on what side would I be standing, if I had clung to my conservative, German, anti-political attitude? For all Germany's music all her intellectual achievements could not save her from a barbarism that threatens the foundations of western civilization."



THOMAS MANN

The Hall of Music, where the three-day sessions of the Writers Congress are being held, shook with applause when he predicted that the day "joy must replace the tears of the German people" is not so far away.

"The political passivity of German culture, its aloofness from democracy, have been frightfully avenged. Everything human is swallowed up, all freedom is at an end.

"I have often said, before things can get better in Germany, Germans must reach the point where they burst into tears when they hear the word freedom! THEY ARE NOT SO FAR OFF IT NOW. They are learning the meaning of freedom, justice, hu-

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FDR Broadcast Today Will Open N.Y. Art Museum

Broadcasting from the White House, President Roosevelt will dedicate the new Museum of Modern Art in New York today. He will be heard over stations WJZ, WABC and WOR at 10:45 P.M. WJZ and WOR will carry the entire ceremonies from 10 to 11 P.M.

Potemkin's Visits Get Wide Approval

Success in Balkans Held Proof Collective Security Proposal Of Soviet Union Is Welcomed in Roumania, Poland

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, May 9.—Democratic circles here were unanimous today in approval of the visits of Soviet Assistant Foreign Commissar Vladimir Potemkin to the capitals of Turkey, Bulgaria, Rumania and Poland.

It was held that the success of the Soviet official's tour of the Balkans and eastern Europe blows sky-high the British contention that the Soviet proposals for effective collective security could not be accepted because of the stand of Rumania and Poland.

This is a victory for the sharp criticism of the anti-Soviet attitude of the official circles in London and Paris.

The democratic evening paper, Ce Soir, states that "there are forces which are obstinately working for sabotage of collective security. When London and Paris do not seek to conclude pacts with the Soviet Union, the states guaranteed by Britain and France begin to doubt the value of such guaranties."

Warsaw Welcomes Envoy

General staff circles in Warsaw above all welcome the appointment of Nikolai Sharanov as Soviet Ambassador to Warsaw, and the Polska Zbrojna, general staff organ, declared that "the appointment of Sharanov confirms that Soviet-Polish relations are being established along friendly and factual lines."

Meantime the statements by British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Richard Butler on a hope for "friendly settlement" of the Danzig question, has aroused the greatest apprehension in diplomatic circles.

Coming at a time when the Papal Nuncios are displaying unprecedented activity in European capitals, it is feared that a new Munich is being prepared.

In the corridors of the French Chamber of Deputies, questions are being asked about the activities of Paul Baudoin, Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet's emissary who has been in Rome since May 3, ostensibly for a meeting of the French-Italian Salto Company.

Simultaneous pressure by Count Volpi, leading Italian financier and member of the Fascist Grand Council, who is now in Paris, gives rise to a fear that the Munichoers in London and Paris are exerting every effort for a deal, with Rome benefitting with Berlin from any "settlement."

New Daladier Laws Against People Feared

Parliament Reopens to Limit Discussion on Vital Policies

By Sam Russell

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PARIS, May 9.—Fears that the Daladier government is planning to slice off still more of the people's rights mounted today on the eve of the re-opening of parliament Thursday after a six weeks' recess. Those weeks were used to introduce the harshest anti-social decrees and to speed preparations for a new Munich.

It is expected that Premier Edouard Daladier will adjourn the session as soon as that becomes possible under the Constitution—on June 10, three months after convening.

No discussion on domestic policy and very little on foreign policy will be allowed. The government organ, L'Oeuvre, cynically comments that "agricultural and electoral reform are always left as subjects for conversation," adding that the only effective opposition will come from the Communist group, which is reinforced by a new member, Eugene Jardon.

Despite the desires of the reactionaries, President Albert Lebrun is expected to extend the usual amnesty to mark the start of his second term.

AMNESTY PETITION

Democratic circles are campaigning above all for amnesty to the workers victimized for the November 30 general strike last year.

More than 200 members of parliament and other notables signed a petition to Lebrun presented by the French Popular Aid, the progressive prisoners' aid and relief organization.

Another campaign now under way is for liberation of Spanish refugees arrested and jailed on trumped-up charges by local pro-fascist officials. There is a danger that these men and women will be refused amnesty because they are foreigners.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Chamber of Deputies tomorrow, an attack upon Finance Minister Paul Reynaud will be led by Jacques Duclos, Vice-President of the Chamber of Deputies, upon the basis of the huge profits still allowed to French arms manufacturers.

Plan to Thwart Sabotage In Arms Plants

Check on Espionage and Wrecking Weighed by Administration

WASHINGTON, May 9 (UP).—Plans to check sabotage and spying in 10,000 factories as a safeguard to the national defense program are under consideration by military authorities, it was disclosed tonight.

A high official said that the question is being given "careful consideration" in connection with the War Department's plan to mobilize key private industries immediately upon outbreak of a war, although the plan has not yet reached the "final draft stage."

The contemplated measures would parallel tactics employed during the World War in checking sabotage, spying and other subversive activities. Private companies would establish extraordinarily large staffs of guards and watchmen who would be augmented by federal agents if circumstances warranted.

The proposed "war time" measures were disclosed while both the Army and Navy were acting to safeguard the current multi-billion dollar defense program against "leaks," damage and delays.

The Army recently ordered compulsory fingerprinting of all civilian employes. The Navy is expected to announce similar action this week. Private aircraft companies working on Army or Navy orders are enjoined from employing aliens. The Navy also forbids aliens from working on any of its orders.

Vets to Honor Liberty Bell Mothers Sun.

100 Women Whose Sons Were Killed in Spain to Attend Reception

A reception to honor the Liberty Bell Mothers of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade—the women who lost their sons in Spain—will be held on Mothers Day, Sunday, May 14 at 3:30 P.M. at the Hotel Commodore, 43rd St. and Lexington Ave., under the auspices of the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Constancia De La Mora, head of the press bureau in the Loyalist Ministry of State; David McKelvy White, Brooklyn College instructor who fought in Spain and who is now chairman of the Friends, and Jean Muir, noted movie star, will speak. Winifred Bates, famous British novelist, will preside.

One hundred women whose sons made the supreme sacrifice for democracy are expected to attend as guests. Also invited are a large group of mothers whose sons fought in Spain but who have returned to America.

Marriage Deters Crime

PHILADELPHIA (UP).—Marriage appears a deterrent to crime, according to figures compiled by the Philadelphia Voluntary Defender Association. During 57 months, only 2,822 married persons sought the association's help in court cases, compared with 5,119 single persons.

Bar Planes Over Ecuador City After Air Tragedy

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, May 9 (UP).—All flights above Guayaquil were banned today as result of a crash and explosion in which 23 persons were killed and 60 injured yesterday.

An Army plane, piloted by Capt. Cristobal Sandoval, exploded after crashing in the center of the city and set fire to five houses. Damage was estimated at $200,000.

Ten members of a Syrian family and their guest who were trapped in a third floor apartment by the blaze were among the dead. Most of the other victims were employes of a dyeing establishment and a barber shop.

A 'Neighbor' Speaks to the Congress

NICARAGUA'S PRESIDENT, Anastasio Somoza, addressing members of the House of Representatives during his official visit to Washington. Previously, he had appeared before the Senate and urged increasingly better relations between the U. S. and his country.

First Lady Gets a Present

FINEST SHEER WOOL fabric from British sheep growers makes a present for Mrs. Roosevelt. At the presentation in New York are, left to right: L. R. McGregor, Australia; B. M. Firth, New Zealand; Emil Horne, South Africa.

Mann Urges Writers Fight for Democracy

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man dignity, the human conscience. They are learning that these are not mere words, not empty revolutionist mouthings. Six years of the Gestapo-state, and—yes, they are learning!"

Thomas Mann was one of four German exiled writers who pleaded vehemently for the cause of democracy in yesterday's sessions of the Writers Congress. In the morning, Ernst Toller, author of "No More Peace" and a devoted aide to those who fought for democracy in Spain, rang a note of hope for Germany when he declared:

"In spite of his hangman, Mr. Hitler cannot prevent a dangerous spectre going about in Germany: the voice of the outlawed writer."

He then outlined the responsibility of the exiled writer today in defending the cultural heritage of the ages and in defending democracy:

"The threatened culture can only be defended if all those who were fortunate enough to escape slavery devote themselves faithfully to their language, brand courageously and truthfully the attack upon humanity and fight barbarism WHEREVER IT THREATENS."

MAKE OURSELVES HEARD

Klaus Mann, son of Thomas Mann and author of "Escape to Life," emphasized the responsibility of the writers in exile to keep alive the great tradition of the nations which have been devastated by fascism and to "find possibilities and ways to make ourselves heard back home."

"We have a message which has to be delivered secretly, at this moment, but which will come out openly, and will be greeted and understood — when the day has come. Couldn't we—the German writers in exile—become once more and in a more effective way than ever before, the mediators between Germany and the world?"

Arnold Zweig, author of "The Case of Sergeant Grischa," predicted that the culture of stricken nations will outlive the oppressors.

"Culture survives exile: as long as man all round the earth is of common basis, common spirits and common aims, our expression will be understood," he said.

Andre Maurois, noted French biographer, declared it the duty of writers to "tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. It is the writer's duty, our duty, to bring the real world before our reader's eyes, and to revive it in their souls."

GREET SPANISH AUTHOR

Pedro Salinas, Spanish author of "Lost Angel," received an enthusiastic welcome when he was introduced as a representative of the "Republic of Spain," which he predicted would live through the dark passage of the present period and once more become a state expressing the love of liberty that burns in the heart of every true Spaniard.

G. A. Borgese, Italian-American, was chairman of the morning's session, declared the writer must remain true to his people, "their feelings, pride, joy and despairs," even in exile.

J. B. Priestley, noted British author, in a radio broadcast from London, addressed yesterday's session of the Congress, warning men and women who write that they "must keep a steady eye on human beings."

Yin Yutang, well-known writer, urged that the Congress repudiate as authors the men who wrote "The Cardinal's Mistress" and "Mein Kampf."

Sholom Asch, famous Yiddish-American writer, declared that "Nazi Germany is not a nation" because it does not express the will or being of the German people. He cited the Jewish people as a living proof of the survival of culture in exile.

"Cultures are not divided into territories and peoples," he said, "but into cultural forms which are the results of philosophic systems."

FOR HUMAN LIBERTY

He urged the writers to weigh every word and consider "whether the word will serve to bring men together, or whether it will sunder them," before using it.

Ferdinand Bruckner, exiled Austrian author, declared that the longing of men to "become free again, to become MEN again," is already asserting itself in struggle and sacrifice from which "our best fruits grow."

Hendrick Willem Van Loon, chairman of yesterday afternoon's sessions, said it was time that writers assume the responibility that is theirs and "unite and fight together that we may once more reconquer the world for human liberty."

Other writers who spoke at yesterday's sessions included Carlos Davila, from Chile, Karin Michaelis, from Denmark, and Nora Waln, from the United States.

Four British Planes Crash, 3 Are Killed

LONDON, May 9 (UP).—The Royal Air Force lost four planes today in crashes which killed at least three men.

Three fliers were killed in a collison near Bircham-Newton, Norfolk. All were occupants of one plane, the other landing safely.

Two were believed drowned when their plane crashed into the sea off Maplethorpe, but their bodies had not been recovered.

A bomber crashed at Corton but the three occupants escaped serious injury. A seaplane crashed in Plymouth Sound and the crew of three was rescued by motorboats.

PUBLISH TEXT OF MANUILSKY REPORT

The full text of the speech of D. Z. Manuilsky, Secretary of the Communist International, to the 18th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, held in the latter part of March in Moscow, has been printed in the April 6 number of "World News and Views."

An abridged cabled text was published in the Daily Worker on March 18. We print below the full text of the passage referring to the Communist Party of the United States:

"Considerable progress has been made by the Communist Party of the U.S.A. By doing its utmost to assist in shaping the class movement of the proletariat and in separating it from the bourgeois parties, it has increased its membership from 20,000 to 90,000. Its membership has grown because its work has helped to strengthen the industrial unions, which have as many as four million members, and because it has worked tirelessly and patiently among the three-and-a-half million workers who belong to the reactionary American Federation of Labor for the restoration of trade union unity upon the bases of class struggle.

"The Party has won great prestige among the Negro workers and also among the best representatives of the American intelligentsia. By participating in the broad democratic movement and criticizing its irresoluteness, the Communist Party of the U.S.A. has set this movement on the path of a more consistent struggle against fascism. One of the Party's serious defects is that it still lacks sufficient contact with the farmer masses and the farmers' movement."

Chinese Hold Back Fierce Hankow Drive

Japanese Lose More Than Thousand Killed in Sudden Move Along Strategic Railway; Chinese Gain on Other Fronts

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, China, May 9.—Active fighting has flared up suddenly in the Suichow sector about 100 miles northwest of Hankow to the east of the Hankow-Peiping railway military dispatches said today.

On May 4, Japanese troops opened an advance from Siho, five miles south of Suichow on the highway leading to Teian and Hankow.

Northeast of Suichow, Japanese forces supported by aviation launched an offensive from Sinyang, on the Peiping railway, forcing the Chinese to evacuate Tierwan.

Japanese losses on this sector from May 3 to May 6 amounted to more than 1,000 men killed and wounded.

Severe fighting is taking place east of the town of Kaocheng, six miles northeast of Suichow, where Japanese forces have been cut off from their bases.

Japanese Retreating

Chinese troops operating southeast of Suichow have attacked Maping, seven miles southeast of Siho. The Japanese forces are retreating northwards, and are being hard-pressed by Chinese troops on the Tsingshan-Chungsien road. Chinese have surrounded Tianming.

North of Canton, the main South China center, Chinese counter-attacked and took Sinkai. Chinese troops operating in conjunction with guerrilla forces are attacking enemy positions at Sheklung, Taiping and Tungkwan.

Fighting is also proceeding around Samshui, west of Canton, where Japanese troops have attacked Kaomin, to the southwest of Samshui.

Chinese bombers yesterday raided the Japanese landing field at Peikai, near Canton.

Reestablish Normal Polish USSR Relations

Announces Rejection of 'Insidious Proposals' from Berlin

WARSAW, May 9 (UP). — The government's official Iskra agency tonight announced a "complete normalization of Polish-Soviet relations," ending a year and a half of hostility, shortly after the arrival in Warsaw of Vladimir P. Potemkin, Soviet Assistant Commissar of Foreign Affairs.

The Iskra agency asserted that Poland had given evidence of her good will toward the Soviet Union by rejecting "insidious proposals" from Berlin for a Polish-German attack on the Soviet Ukraine and Caucasus.

Beck referred guardedly to this Nazi proposal to divide up the Ukraine and Caucasus between Poland and Germany in his Friday speech in which he said that during March Hitler presented proposals "going much further than the subjects under consideration."

Beck's cryptic passage immediately was interpreted here as well as in London and Paris as referring to a secret Nazi plan for joint action by Poland and Germany against the U.S.S.R., with Poland to share in the spoils.

Chilean Minister Orders Probe of Nazi Activities

SANTIAGO, Chile, May 9.—Education Minister Rudecindo Ortega announced today he had ordered an investigation of Nazi activities in southern provinces.

He said he gained the impression, during a tour of the provinces, "there were numerous private educational establishments which are not fulfilling our legal requirements."

High Quality Steel Produced by New Soviet Furnace

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 9.—Tests of a smelting furnace installed in the Molotov Works in Khabarovsk have produced steel of an exceptionally high quality. This is the first electric smelting furnace in the Far East.

British Workers Radio Secret Plea To Germany

LONDON, May 9.—British civil service workers have broadcast an "anti-war" message to German civil servants over a secret anti-Nazi station.

W. J. Brown, secretary of the Civil Service Clerical Association, told the group's annual conference that he had appealed over the German Secret Freedom Station.

"I told them we neither desired to kill them nor to be killed by them," he said, "but that we only wanted to live in peace."

Tokio Factory Blast Kills 11, Injures 260

TOKIO, May 9.—A chemical factory and a celluloid plant exploded within 500 yards of an army powder magazine today and at least eleven persons died, 260 were injured and more than thirty are missing.

The celluloid factory, in the suburb of Komanezawa, was the first to explode. Fire spread to the chemical works, which in turn exploded. Six other factories and twenty homes were destroyed by flames.

It was the third damaging explosion or fire in military areas in two months.

Every reader of the Daily Worker will influence voters at the polls. One new reader may mean four new votes for Communist candidates for City Council!

The members of the Communist Party and the Young Communist League of Rochester, N. Y. Extend their heartfelt sympathies to the family of

JIMMY and LOUIS FANTAUZZO

on the death of their MOTHER.

Cachin Urges Attlee to Unite World Labor

Proposes British Leader Gain Support of 2nd Int'l

(Continued from Page 1)

parties of the world will bring such pressure on the governments as will break the resistance of the most reactionary forces. • • •

"The Communist International has just proposed to the Executives of the Labor and Socialist International and the International Federation of Trade Unions the opening of talks for the purpose of united action against the war-instigators.

"Its purpose will be to unite the world workers' organizations in a conference and set up a single coordinating body for common action.

"If Major Attlee accepts this loyal suggestion and urges it upon his comrades of the International, he will be rendering a great service to socialism and peace.

"There is not a single valid argument against international working class unity. It is the main question in this troubled and dangerous period."

British War Forces to Be Held Ready

To Maintain Fighting Units Throughout Summer Period

LONDON, May 9 (UP).—War Minister Leslie Hore-Belisha announced tonight that Great Britain's fighting forces will be held at full war strength throughout the summer because "we live in conditions of enduring tension in which hostilities are undertaken without warning."

His announcement was made in the House of Commons during second reading of the "reserve and auxiliary" bill under which the government sought powers to mobilize with an advanced degree of secrecy.

The bill, assuming that European tension may continue for three years, would authorize the King to permit the calling up of reserves without the formality of a royal proclamation.

The measure was approved on second reading late tonight without a vote.

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Whitney Keynotes Brotherhood Parley in Call for Labor Unity

Assails Anti-Labor Drive At Convention

Rail Union Delegates at Cleveland to Act on Vital Issues

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, May 9.—Keynoting the 27th Convention of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, which opened at Music Hall here yesterday, President A. F. Whitney sounded a call for labor unity in the ranks of 8,000,000 organized workers.

Addressing nearly 1,000 delegates representing a membership of 135,000, Whitney said that the union comes before the convention with an increase of 17,659 members during the past four years.

Reviewing the effects of the 1938 depression on working conditions, Whitney said in his opening address:

"The one impressive and hopeful factor is the existence of an organized labor movement of more than 8,000,000 members, or twice the number of a few years ago.

"The economic power of labor was given expression of last year in the successful resistance to industry-wide wage cutting campaigns, and our Brotherhood was out in the lead, blocking Wall Street's efforts to shrink consumer purchasing power."

ROLE IN WAGE FIGHT

Whitney's reference was the leading part the Brotherhood played in the resistance to the recent effort of the railroad operators to impose a 15 per cent wage cut upon the railroad workers.

"If we can go ahead and achieve unity of purpose and action in the house of labor—and we must — then we shall, with ease, defeat the enemies of labor and proceed to a more equitable distribution of the fruits of our toil," he added.

Whitney took cognizance of the present reactionary drive in Congress and the threat to labor's hard-won gains.

"The economic outlook in the near future is very uncertain," Whitney said. "Failure of Congress to appropriate sufficient funds to take care of the needy unemployed, will undoubtedly create more misery.

HITS ATTACKS ON NLRB

"Reactionary attacks on the National Labor Relations Act, are aimed at the destruction of genuine collective bargaining and the consequent collapse of the organized labor movement.

"Today capital is more interested in breaking labor unions and undermining the New Deal, than in promoting economic prosperity for the masses of people."

Stating his views on the issues confronting the Brotherhood and labor generally, Whitney outlined a progressive outlook.

"I stand irrevocably behind the fundamental principles of cooperation and believe we should continue to cooperate with organizations of labor that have problems in common with ours, when we can do so without endangering our autonomy with respect to jurisdiction and all other matters," he said.

Recalling how the organization pioneered in the movement for the long realized eight-hour day, which he said has been a "blessing to mankind," he declared that:

"If re-elected, as your chief executive, I pledge to give my time, my energy and my intellect in the prosecution and support of a six-hour day for the railway workers."

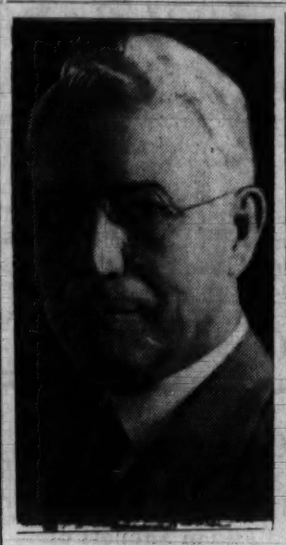
TAKE UP ISSUES

Other points outlined in the program relate to benevolent insurance, train limit legislation, higher wages for workers whose duties take them from home, extension of full crew legislation and improvements in the Railroad Retirement Act.

The only other business at the opening beside appointment of convention committees, was unanimous adoption of a resolution symbolizing the union's desire for unity. It endorsed the strike of pharmacists and clerks of the Marshall Standard and Weinberger Drug Stores, noting that it has been endorsed by the Cleveland Federation of Labor of the A. F. of L., Industrial Union Council of the CIO, by the B. of R.T. and other organizations. The resolution further condemned the anti-labor attitude of the Cleveland daily newspapers and "resolved that the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen commends both the CIO and A. F. of L. unions for uniting in common cause in behalf of labor's fundamental rights."

A.L.P. IN 4TH A.D. HOLDS MEETING TOMORROW

The 4th Assembly District Club of the American Labor Party will conduct the next meeting of its regular semi-monthly Forum tomorrow when Irwin Panken, labor attorney, will speak on "Labor Legislation." The meeting will be held at the Branch headquarters, 80 Pitt St., at 8:45 P.M.



A. F. WHITNEY

Rhode Island CIO Calls for Labor Unity

Industrial Council Raps Hobbs Bill; Urges Neutrality Change

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PAWTUCKET, R. I., May 9.—In a resolution pointing out that labor unity is essential for the election of progressives to office in 1940, the Rhode Island State Industrial Union Council meeting in Pawtucket last Sunday, called for "speedy realization of unity between the American Federation of Labor and the Congress of Industrial Organizations."

Another resolution vigorously attacked the Hobbs Bill and all other anti-alien bills as measures that would be used against the labor movement and "intimidate non-citizens away from trade unions." Immediate repeal of the Neutrality Law was urged and provisions favored that would empower the President and Congress to name the aggressors, embargo the aggressors and aid the victims.

Other resolutions urged the appropriation by Congress of funds to continue the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee, and appropriations to continue WPA and PWA; opposed any changes in the National Labor Relations Act; and supported the stand of the United Mine Workers in the present bituminous coal deadlock.

Justice Lauer Quits in Probe On Smuggling

Justice Edgar J. Lauer resigned today from the State Supreme Court.

A Joint legislative committee in Albany was considering action against Lauer on the grounds that he must have known of his wife's smuggling activities, when he sent his resignation to Gov. Herbert Lehman. Lauer's socially-prominent wife, hostess at the dinner party where the remark about Hitler was made, is serving a three-month jail term for smuggling.

Suffrage Rally In Capital Spurs Drive

281 Groups Meet to Push Kennedy Bill; CIO Backs Campaign

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 9.—The current drive of the disenfranchised people of Washington to gain the fundamental American right to vote was spurred last night at an enthusiastic rally. Over two hundred and eighty-one organizations embracing one hundred and thirty thousand citizens were represented. Support of the Kennedy bill which would abolish the appointed commission government of the District of Columbia and grant its residents the right to elect a 21 men municipal assembly was strongly urged.

Wilbur H. Finch, chairman of the Citizens Conference on district suffrage, traced the history of the struggle for suffrage in Washington. He pointed out that the Kennedy bill was a necessary supplement to the Griffenhagen report which Congress now is considering as a plan for the organic revamping of the District government. That reorganization alone, he indicated, would not free the people of the district from the "parliamentary peonage" to which they are now subject.

PUSH POST CARD DRIVE

The need to continue the "march of postcards" to Chairman Jennings Randolph of the House District Committee was described as vital to the suffrage struggle by Sidney Katz, secretary of the Maryland and District CIO. "Every grievance of every citizen of Washington must be embodied in a postcard to Congressman Randolph," said Mr. Katz.

The confeernce has set itself the goal of getting 25,000 cards which urged Congress to provide for a popularity elected city government, into Randolph's office. To date over 20,000 of these cards have been distributed and 10,000 of them received by the Congressman.

At the meeting, the apparatus was set up to draw into the campaign the rapidly increasing numbers of district citizens who are becoming aware of the fundamental issue of democracy involved in the fight for suffrage. Strong support is being given by the Negro population who realize that a democratic government by popular election will be the best means of combatting the Jim-Crowism which keeps them living in misery and want.

Maryland Grants IWO License to Operate in State

The International Workers' Order has been granted a license by the Insurance Department of Maryland to operate in that state, it was announced today by Peter Shipka, treasurer of the I. W. O., from the national office of the society, 80 Fifth Ave.

"Receiving the license," stated Mr. Shipka, "not only means that our society will spread more rapidly in Maryland, but it is an additional confirmation by still another State Insurance Department of the stability and soundness of our insurance plan and financial position."

LaGuardia Assails Relief Slashes

"TRAGIC CONSEQUENCES" would result from any cut in relief funds, warned Mayor LaGuardia before the House Appropriations Committee Monday. He testified in behalf of the U. S. Conference of Mayors in his forceful defense of the federal relief setup.

Smith Carpet Workers Pick Union Today

TWOC Sees Big Majority in NLRB Poll at Yonkers Plant

YONKERS, N. Y., May 9.—More than four thousand employees of the Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Company in this city will ballot today in a second three-way election uder the supervision of the National Labor Relations Board to determine whether the Textile Workers Organizing Committee (CIO), Independent Smith Workers (Company Union), or neither organization will represent them in collective bargaining with the company.

The CIO union held an enthusiastic pre-election mass meeting last Sunday afternoon in Yonkers which drew over seven hundred workers in spite of the heat.

The union brought on the election to break a deadlock with the company over the return of a 7 per cent wage cut and a signed contract which the company was holding up on the grounds that TWOC did not represent a majority of it's employees.

Bob Oliver, manager of TWOC Local 122, stated that the union felt confident of winning the election by a large majority.

Urge Harlem Delegate on School Board

Teachers Union Asks Mayor Fill Vacancy from Negro District

A representative of the Harlem people on the Board of Education was urged yesterday by the Teachers Union, Local 5, in a letter to Mayor LaGuardia.

A vacancy exists due to the expiration of the term of Col. Walter J. Carlin on the Board.

"We wish to urge upon you the policy of making this Board as representative as possible of the various interests of the community," the union, through President Charles J. Hendley, wrote.

"We would like to see you place on the Board a representative of the ethnic group in Harlem, or a leader of the great body of organized labor in the city, or an outstanding exponent of progressive education.

Mayor Will Dedicate Three Child Health Stations Today

WPA Financed Projects With City Giving Share of Funds

Three new child health stations in Brooklyn, constructed under the Health Department's WPA financed project, will be dedicated today by Mayor LaGuardia and Health Commissioner John J. Rice.

Borough President Raymond V. Ingersoll and members of the City Council from Brooklyn; Colonel Brehon B. Somervell, WPA Administrator; Commissioner Irving V. A. Huie of the Department of Public Works and community representatives have been invited to attend.

The child health stations are located at 130 Nostrand Ave., at Stockton St.; 62-4 Second Place, near Clinton St.; and 86-58 16th Ave., near Benson Ave.

VARIED SERVICES

The stations are one story brick buildings, each costing approximately $50,000, constructed with WPA labor under the supervision of the Department of Public Works, with the WPA contributing 60 per cent and the city 40 per cent of the building costs.

The buildings include office and information rooms, weighing and dressing rooms, waiting, demonstration and conference rooms, examination rooms, a laboratory for sterilization of materials used in smallpox vaccination and diphtheria immunization and a nurses' office.

The new buildings will provide more adequate child health facilities by replacing former crowded, rented quarters.

The Mayor and Commissioner Rice are scheduled to arrive at the Nostrand Ave. station at 9:30 A.M., arrive at Second Place at 10 A.M. and complete the tour of inspection at the third station at 10:45 A.M.

Approximately 100,000 babies are born in New York City each year, many of them in homes where the importance of early and continued health care is not understood or where the family income will not permit the necessary supervision by a private physician. The Department of Health operates child health stations for health educational purposes and for furnishing medical guidance for well babies and preschool children for families whose incomes are low.

A number of the premises from which this important work was being carried on were unsatisfactory and cramped as to quarters, having inadequate heat, ventilation, washing facilities and provision for privacy.

Application was accordingly made to the Works Progress Administration in 1935 for funds for the construction of twelve model child health stations on City-owned property in areas in need of such service. The request was granted.

To date, model stations have been opened in the Brownsville and Williamsburg-Greenpoint districts in Brooklyn; in Mount Morris Park, Manhattan; in Jamaica, Queens, and in Westchester-Pelham, the Bronx. In addition to the three new Brooklyn units that are being dedicated tomorrow, other model stations are under construction in the Morrisania district, the Bronx, and in Corona, Queens. Model child health stations have also been set up in the nine new district health centers that have been opened in the five boroughs in the past two years and two model stations have been provided in two housing projects in Manhattan.

During 1938, the Department's child health stations served about 64,000 infants and preschool children, of which approximately 48,000 were babies under one year of age.

COBINA WRIGHT, JR., who was selected at the "Theme Girl" Contest as the official companion of "Father Knickerbocker" for the Manhattan Week celebrations at the Fair.

Buildings to Replace Outworn Structures in Brooklyn

Cacchione to Install New B'klyn C.P. Section Heads

A new section of the Communist Party has been recently organized in the 6th Assembly District in Kings County. This is the district of Mark Rudich, ousted Brooklyn magistrate, linked up with the bond racket in Brooklyn.

The Section has a powerful ALP vote. More than 20 anti-fascists volunteered to take up arms in Spain in defense of democracy from this section.

Progressives in the 6th, are joyfully hailing the establishment of a new section of the Communist Party in this slum-ridden community. Many are expected to turn out to witness the Kings County Chairman of the Communist Party, Peter V. Cacchione, install the newly-elected officers at the celebration dance, May 12th, at the Beehive Center, 882 DeKalb Ave.

Phila. Legislative Security Parley Held Tomorrow

PHILADELPHIA, May 9.—A joint legislative conference of all organizations in the community has been called by the South Philadelphia Council for Social and Economic Security for tomorrow night at the Neighborhood Center, 428 Bainbridge St.

The conference will also celebrate the selection of Old Swede's Church vicinity and 30th and Tasker Sts. as its for housing projects.

The need for additional WPA appropriations, the threatened cuts of relief rolls proposed by the State Republicans, the anti-alien bills, and growth of anti-Semitic propaganda in South Philadelphia will be considered.

Representative Samuel Rosenfeld, Bernard Childs, executive secretary of the Philadelphia Tenants League, and Russell Watson, executive secretary of the Workers Alliance, will address the conference.

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STATE URGED TO EXTEND LIFE OF ANTI-BIAS COMMISSION

The Rev. Michael Mulvoy, secretary of the Temporary Commission on the Condition of the Urban Urban Colored Population until its term expired recently, told the Daily Worker yesterday following a meeting with other members of the Commission that recommendation has been made to the State Legislature to extend the life of the Temporary Commission for one year.

In the recommendation to the Legislature it was pointed out that, owing to increase in unemployment and, in general, to the discriminatory conditions surrounding the Negro people, extension of the life of the Temporary Commission was "absolutely necessary" for the protection of the Negro people and other minorities. An organization of this kind is essential, it was declared, to follow up and investigate continued acts of discrimination in employment, housing, education, recreation and hospitalization.

DELEGATES REPORT

Delegates who recently went to Albany personally to urge majority and minority leaders in the Legislature to use their influence in having 11 of the 14 anti-discrimination bills enacted into law, reported last Friday night at a meeting called by the Manhattan Citizens Committee for Support of the Temporary Commission.

Among the speakers were William Gaulden, representing the State, County and Municipal Workers Union (CIO), who explained why labor was supporting only 11 of the 14 bills; Assemblyman William T. Andrews, vice-chairman of the Temporary Commission and father of a number of anti-discrimination bills, who analyzed each piece of the proposed legislation; Dr. Alma Mary Haskins, of the Harlem branch of the NAACP, who told of the delegation's conference with Governor Lehman; Dr. William Pickens, of the national office of the NAACP, a "surprise" speaker who heartily endorsed the Committee's fight; and other representatives of labor, church, youth and civic organizations.

The meeting adopted a resolution supporting the 11 anti-discrimination bills and pledging a fight to tion declared that it did not suphave them all enacted. The resoluport the three so-called labor bills, in view of the fact that labor itself condemned them as potentially dangerous to the best interests of labor and of the minorities they were supposed to protect.

Hearing that two of the bills had already gone to Governor Lehman for his signature and that there was a possibility of others being forced out of committee on to the floor, the Baptist Ministers Conference, meeting at the Metropolitan Baptist Church, 128th St. and Seventh Ave. yesterday, extended an invitation to the Manhattan Citizens Committee to come to its next session on May 15 and acquaint the Baptist church leaders o Greater New York with the contents of the bills. The conference feels that the committee will get the ministers' support on the measures still pending.

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GOP Compromise Housing Fund Is Only $50,000,000

Three Bills to Be Introduced Today to Carry Out Provisions; Ignore Constitutional Authority to Provide $300,000,000 for Low Rent Projects

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, May 9.—A "compromise" housing measure providing for state loans of $50,000,000 during the coming fiscal year for slum clearance and public housing was completed by Republican leaders today.

Three bills will be introduced in the legislature tomorrow to carry out its provisions.

Although the proposed legislation is extremely conservative a sharp fight is expected because of the opposition of many Republicans to any kind of housing program and the pressure from progressives for a more adequate measure.

Under the terms of the bills, the State is authorized to enter into loans to municipalities and authorities not exceeding $150,000,000; but not more than $50,000,000 of this amount may be actually loaned.

Last fall, the people of the State overwhelmingly adopted an amendment to the Constitution authorizing the spending of $300,000,000 for low-rent housing.

EXHAUSTED FUNDS

State subsidies for the first year are limited to $250,000 although the Constitutional amendment permits annual subsidies of $1,000,000. Two-thirds of the funds are allocated to New York City.

Perhaps the most reactionary provision of the proposed compromise is the ban on construction of projects with both federal and state monies. This can have no other purpose than to sharply reduce the amount of re-housing and slum clearance localities can undertake.

Another feature, reflecting the influence of housing opponents is the requirement that localities match state subsidies dollar for dollar.

This strikes at communities that have all but exhausted available funds.

The progressive housing movement scored victories in the ban on state loans to high-rental limited divided companies and for tenement rehabilitation. Municipalities, however, are given permission to make such loans.

CREATE NEW OFFICE

Another concession forced by the progressives forbids discrimination because of race, color or creed in selection of tenants. Only families of low income are eligible for tenancy with the further limitation that the aggregate annual income may not exceed five times the rental, or in the case of families with three or more dependents, six times the rental.

The division of housing as now constituted in the executive department of the state is retained except that the new office of superintendent of Housing is created in place of the State Board of Housing. Loans to municipalities will have to be approved by the Superintendent of Housing.

The measure carries out the Constitutional mandate that municipalities be granted a special debt incurring power to the extent of 2 per cent of the assessed valuation of taxable realty in order to make loans and subsidies to housing authorities.

A copy of the proposed legislation has been rushed to Mayor La Guardia who has not indicated his stand on the bills although the city administration has been consulted.

New housing bills will be introduced by Assemblymen Moffat and Mitchell and Senator Desmond.

Michigan Forest Fires Brought Under Control

ATLANTA, Mich., May 8 (UP).—Forest fires that swept through 100,000 acres of rich timber and farm lands were brought under control today by 2,000 voluntary fire fighters and civilian conservation corps crews.

Ray Hunt, chief of the state Forest Service office, said the six major fires raging in a 50-mile-square area in the northeastern tip of Michigan's lower peninsula were checked and that there appeared to be no danger of spreading.

State police and sheriff's officers opened an investigation, seeking a "firebug" they believed responsible for setting fires in more than a dozen places.

Anti-Fascist Lawyers Attend 'Juarez' Benefit

Two hundred and fifty members of the Lawyers' Anti-Fascist Committee of New York have arranged to attend evening performances of "Juarez," Warner Bros.' new screen drama co-starring Paul Muni and Bette Davis at the Hollywood Theatre, within the next fortnight, according to plans made public today.

"Juarez," which deals with the last attempt of Europe to plant a monarchial system on the American continents through the ill-fated empire of Maximilian and Carlota was directed by William Dieterle.

Legislature Relief Plan Threatens City

GOP Sales Tax Advocates Plan to Block Tax Renewal

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, May 9.—Republican advocates of a State sales tax, determined to enact the levy at the present session of the Legislature, threatened today to cut off New York City relief funds unless the measure is passed.

Lacking sufficient Republican votes in the Senate to pass a sales tax bill, the GOP leaders let it be known that if city Democrats refused to go along they would block renewal of the city sales tax which expires on June 30. The city's tax is used to supplement relief expenditures.

The threat to starve the city population in order to gain their ends was made after an all-night conference of Republican leaders definitely decided to introduce a drastic two percent sales tax by the end of the week.

It is highly doubtful whether the Republicans can get anywhere by this maneuver since a number of New York City Republicans are expected to side with the city Democrats.

Pressure for the State sales impost has been coming from a bloc headed by William Bleakley of Westchester County, Thomas Broderick of Monroe, and Sprague of Nassau County who are notorious for the extravagance of their administrations.

They desire a State sales tax to pay the relief bills of the localities.

In the event that the tax is not passed at the present session it is believed that it will be brought up at a special session of the Legislature this summer.

Republican County leaders last night also decided to push a resolution for a legislative investigation of Albany County where the Democrats are in control.

At the same time, it was decided to increase the appropriation originally requested from $75,000 to $250,000.

Since the move for additional funds is in the form of an appropriation bill, the proposal will have to go to Governor Lehman.

Nine bills effectuating $23,000,000 of the $31,000,000 cut in the budget were passed in the Assembly today. The Democrats solidly opposed two measures which open the way for a $10,000,000 cut in State aid for education.

Governor Lehman has the power to veto the two education bills, it was pointed out by the State Federation of Teachers today.

Prof. Shotwell Asks for Ban On Aggressors

Head of Columbia U's Int'l Law Dept. for Thomas Bill

WASHINGTON, May 9. — James T. Shotwell, Columbia University professor of international law, today urged adoption of a peace policy that would permit the United States to discriminate against an aggressor nation in time of war.

Shotwell told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that he was in sympathy with the bill proposed by Senator Elbert Thomas, Dem., Utah, which would allow the President to designate a treaty violator and recommend to Congress restrictions on its trade with this country.

Criticizing neutrality law provisions which apply equally to all warring nations are surrendering "our neutral rights." Shotwell said that by providing special treatment for treaty-breaking aggressors "we would to some extent recover our freedom of action without at the same time misleading militaristic governments into the delusion that we had ceased to care for our rights."

Whatever action is adopted Shotwell stresses, should be adopted before a crisis arises.

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Mayor Makes Round of City Fair Exhibits

Autographs New Book on City Gov't; Kids Enjoy Show Too

Mayor LaGuardia, mingling freely with World's Fair visitors, spent two hours yesterday taking in the sights at the New York City Exhibit Building.

He autographed about a hundred copies of "New York Advancing," a book issued by the city and describing the advances of municipal government in New York.

Eager school children clamored around him exchanging greetings and banter as Rebecca B. Rankin, head of the Municipal Reference Library, sold the first copies of the book, which aims to give the World's Fair visitor an insight into the principles and policies of progressive municipal government.

The exhibit, a striking educational project which shows in detail how each department of the city government is operated, how the work of the various branches is coordinated for social advancement, was enjoyed as much by LaGuardia as the kids who milled around him in holiday spirit.

The Mayor was pleased when Murray W. Stand, Director of the World's Fair City Building, told him that one out of every ten persons who visit the Fair come to the New York City exhibit.

CITY EXHIBIT LAUDED

Mr. Stand said that his office had received considerable fan mail from Fair visitors lauding the building and the exhibits as one of the most outstanding at the exposition.

"Let's take a look at the police exhibit," said the Mayor. He led a crowd over to a stage where policemen and policewomen enacted a sketch showing modern methods of crime detection.

The sketch, called "Murder at Midnight," depicts a maid in an apartment house discovering her mistress murdered, lying dead in a pool of blood. The maid calls the Police Department. And from then on things happen.

Fingerprint experts, the Medical Examiner, detectives go to work. A suspect is apprehended. The show concludes with a trip through the police laboratory and a lecture explaining how crime is scientifically combatted.

VISITS POLICE MOVIE

The Mayor then visited the movie auditorium, where a film showing how police recruits are trained to aid the citizens and not as in the past to browbeat them, is playing to packed houses.

He took a look at the City Radio Station, WNYC, studios and made a few suggestions to improve the broadcast rooms.

Applauding along with the visitors, the Mayor finally viewed the Fire Department exhibit, where firemen threw up scaling ladders and climbed to the top of a building.

Although it was old stuff so far as he was concerned, the Mayor watched the firemen reenacting rescues from perilous heights and leaping into nets with enthusiasm that was matched only by that of the school kids who came to the Fair for a free visit.

To show there was no race discrimination around the city building, the Mayor was greeted when he arrived by eight World's Fair police and guides, four of whom were Negroes.

Earlier in the day the Mayor attended the opening of the Italian Pavilion.

"I am glad to belong to a race which has given a man who gave this country to America," he said in Italian before a crowd of 3,000.

The Mayor pointed out that Columbus' flagship Santa Maria had arrived at American shores more than a century ahead of the Mayflower.

"We Italians," he said, "are to be known as the sons and daughters of the Santa Maria."

Landlords Vulnerable On Taxes

MONONGAHELA, Pa. (UP).—City treasury officials have sent letters to tenants of landlords delinquent in their taxes asking them to appear at the treasurer's office and pay their rent on the landlords' back taxes. The plan was approved by City Council.

School Kids See the Fair

Photo shows throng of school-children standing in front of the Soviet Pavilion at the New York World's Fair. Youngsters from public schools are admitted free on certain days, accompanied by their teachers.

NLRA Attack Tory Hope for '40—Murray

CIO Vice President Broadcasts Speech on Wagner Act

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executive council tomorrow to review the whole situation.

Murray said that "there is every evidence that the great majority of the A. F. of L. membership are fully as much opposed to amendment of the Wagner Act as are the members of the CIO."

He pointed out that "great gains in membership have been made by both the A. F. of L. and the CIO under the Wagner Act."

BIAS DENIED

The CIO chief denied indignantly that there has been any bias on the part of the Labor Board in favor of his organization.

"On the contrary," he said, "where there has been an issue between the industrial unions of the CIO and the craft unions of the A. F. of L., the decisions of the Board have in most cases been favorable to the A. F. of L. position."

Despite this fact, he continued, the CIO recognizes that "the Board has sincerely tried to administer the law impartially in the public interest. It refuses to join in attacks on the Board which are part of the campaign to undermine the Wagner Act."

CALIF. COLLUSION TOLD

Kidwell charged that Edward D. Vanderleur, secretary of the California Federation of Labor, had attempted in the Red River Lumber Company case at Westwood to "bring discredit upon the liberal democratic Governor of California, Culbert L. Olson" and on the Labor Board.

When the Labor Board refused to recognize a company union with an A. F. of L. label at Westwood after vigilante violence had been used against the CIO, A. F. of L. officials charged pro-CIO bias on the part of the Board.

Added significance was given to Kidwell's statement charges by virtue of the fact that he has been a life-long member of the A. F. of L. and was until recently secretary of the Bakery Truck Drivers Union, affiliated with the Brotherhood of Teamsters.

"Recent events in Westwood are not the result of an A. F. of L.-CIO fight," Kidwell declared. "Rather they are due to the work of a small group of labor misleaders who have cloaked themselves in the banner of the American Federation of Labor and worked in collusion with the Red River Lumber Company.

"These misleaders have demonstrated that they are ready and willing to sacrifice the workers of Westwood, the cause of union labor in the United States for whatever else is necessary to secure their ends."

PROOF FURNISHED

Kidwell backed up his statement with several affidavits by eye-witnesses of the Westwood situation including E. J. Murray, colonel in the California National Guard, and Charles F. Henderson, lieutenant-colonel.

Pressman said that on the eve of the A. F. of L. executive council meeting, Joseph Padway, Federation counsel, and John P. Frey, head of the Metal Trades Federation, "requested and held a conference with the Board, with the object of working out a method of hiding their shame.

"On behalf of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, I am authorized to state emphatically that we consider this is no time for any barter to be made to save the faces of these discredited bellyachers.

"If the A. F. of L. representatives want to back water, let them do so before the Senate Committee, where the public can be fully advised of the whole situation and where matters can be adjusted through the democratic machinery which Congress provides.

"We wish to emphasize that the representatives of the C. I. O. were in no way consulted in the present maneuvers, and that we do not consider ourselves in any way bound by such bartering of labor's interests as may be attempted in these private conferences."

Only 1/5 of Jersey Jobless Received Maximum Benefits

TRENTON, May 9.—One out of every five of the 608,106 unemployed workers in New Jersey who collected unemployment insurance to May 1 received the maximum $15 weekly benefit, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission reported today.

Court Reform Bill Proposed By LaGuardia

Suggests Alternative to Pending Desmond Measure

Pressing forward his long and bitter battle to secure municipal control over salaries of politically-appointed court attaches, Mayor LaGuardia yesterday accepted a challenge hurled at him by foes of reform in judicial budget practice.

He said he was willing to forego adoption of the pending Desmond Bill in the state Senate and would accept as an alternative a court reform bill patterned after the Ashurst bill in the U.S. Senate, which provides for a new method in preparing Federal Court budgets.

The Mayor stated his views in a letter to Senator Benjamin F. Fineberg, chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the state Senate, following publication of a memorandum filed with that committee by former Governor Nathan L. Miller and three former Supreme Court Justices. The memorandum endorsed the Ashurst bill, which provided that the budgets of Federal Courts, after being drawn up by an administrative officer, shall be transmitted to Congress as the appropriating body.

FOUGHT PLANS

"While I believe that the Desmond Bill represents the best and the most practical solution to the court problem," the Mayor wrote, "I do not insist that it is the only acceptable solution. If we cannot get the Desmond Bill, I would be glad to accept a bill applying the principles of the Ashurst Bill to the courts in the City of New York."

The Mayor pointed out that the has prepared a draft of a bill along the lines of the Ashurst Bill for New York City courts, which provides that presiding justices of the Appellate Division shall act as administrative officers for the courts and providing for the "direct submission of court budgets, as prepared by the courts themselves, to the appropriating body of the city.'

This body would be the Board of Estimate.

The majority of justices, however, have continually fought against plans of the Mayor to place responsibility of setting budgets for the courts into the hands of the elected representatives of the people, members of the Board of Estimate.

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JAECKLE, STATE G.O.P. HEAD, LINKED IN ATTEMPT TO WHITWASH NAZI BUND

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ALBANY, N. Y., May 9.—Papers incorporating the German-American Bund were filed with the Secretary of State in a "legal jacket" bearing the name of the law firm of Edwin F. Jaeckle, Chairman of the Republican State Executive Committee, the Daily Worker learned exclusively today.

The papers reveal that Jaeckle's firm of Ladd, Garono and Jaeckle whitewashed the Bund for the purpose of incorporation by declaring the principles of the stormtrooper organization to be.

"To promote, create and encourage sociality, friendship, goodfellowship and the spirit of comradeship and brotherhood."

This was after four years of Hitler's terroristic rule in Germany and Nazi activities in this country.

Jaeckle, who is of German origin, last week moved to conceal his connection with the Nazi movement by sponsoring in the legislature a bill to prohibit the wearing of Nazi uniforms in the state. The measure was introduced by Joseph Hanley, Majority Leader of the Senate, and Oswald D. Heck, Speaker of the Assembly.

At the time, Mr. Jaeckle declared in a widely publicized letter:

"It goes without saying that groups masquerading dishonorably in the guise of foreign adherents have incited bitterness and strife in this state, particularly because of intolerance and racial prejudice."

While recognizing this maneuver as the "liberal mask" policy of the state Republican Party and as an attempt to counteract the effects of the anti-Semitic gubernatorial campaign waged by the Republicans last fall, progressive groups enthusiastically supported the measure.

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"Your party is not warranted in taking comfort from this bill," the G. O. P. spokesmen wrote to Amter in reply to his endorsement of any legislation that would curb groups which attack American democratic institutions.

They threatened to force through the legislature fascist measures of the type of the McNaboe-Devany storm trooper bills by declaring:

"If we understand the temper of the present legislature (Republican-controlled) you may expect equal diligence in expressing subversive activities on the part of the Communist Party."

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Closed Shop Not Issue, Says Lewis

Perkins Joins Mine Union Leader to Explain Difference from 'Union Shop' That the Mine Workers Ask; Rejection of Work Offer 'Mistake'

Prior to his departure for Washington where the committee of the United Mine Workers and coal operators met with President Roosevelt in an effort to settle the bituminous contract deadlock, John L. Lewis, the union's president stated emphatically that wide publicity placing the issue as one of the "closed shop" is anti-union propaganda.

Lewis referred to the repeated statements issued by Charles O'Neill spokesman for the operators, claiming that the "union shop" asked by the UMWA is the same as the "closed shop" and would result in "interference with management."

Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins who had met with both sides expressed agreement with the explanation made by Lewis and drew a sharp line of difference between the two forms.

"The closed shop is not an issue now and never has been," Lewis declared to reporters, late Monday night at the conclusion of the conference.

The union shop asked by the UMWA is in compliance with subsection 3, Article 7, of the Wagner Act, Lewis said, and is not in conflict with the act, as the operators claim.

Miss Perkins broke in to explain that "the closed shop is one in which the employer asks the union for employes he wants to hire, while the union shop is one in which an employer hires any one he pleases, with the understanding that the employes will join the union."

Turning to O'Neill she amplified further that employers often object to the closed shop because, they claim, the union sends old or inexperienced workers. But no such objection could arise from the type of contract the UMWA requests.

She further pointed out that the UMWA has offered to insert a clause in the contract specifically exempting employes not now covered in the contract, from being affected in the future, so as to alleviate without question fears of operators that there would be "interference in management."

EXEMPTION EXPLAINED

Here Lewis broke in to explain that:

"The United Mine Workers have the right to organize 12 per cent of the industry now excluded in the contract—consisting of managerial, technical, clerical or confidential workers.

"Under the Wagner Act these workers have a right to be represented and in a number of districts have asked the UMWA to represent them."

Nevertheless, the union offered, Lewis said, to specify in the contract that these 60,00 workers would not be covered.

The operators' group appeared quite disturbed by this clear explanation which gave an entirely different face to the situation than their press releases had pictured.

Their only defense was a claim that the unit rule prevailing in the Appalachian Coal Association "protects the minority" and prevents agreement on a formula.

Philip Murray, vice-president of the UMWA, injected the remark that at least two of the four negotiators for the operators on the subcommittee have expressed the opinion that the proposal of the UMWA is more practical from their standpoint than the so-called "universal checkoff" on all workers—union and non-union—that operators had offered the UMWA. Murray's offer to name the two met with silence from the operators' group.

WAGES CONTINGENT ON FORM

Among the important developments at the Monday night conference was the statement by Lewis that the union's agreement to withdraw the wage, hour and other demands, was only conditioned upon acceptance of the union shop contract.

"The wage matters have not been settled and will not be settled until the form of the contract is settled," Lewis said.

The matters are obviously interrelated as, would the union have stronger recognition, or would the penalty clauses imposing fines upon miners for striking during the life of the contract be lifted, then terms relating to wages and hours would be more strongly enforced.

Further significance was seen in that Secretary Perkins refrained from replying to the charge of Lewis that failure of the government to support the offer of the miners to continue work on the old contract pending negotiations, has contributed to the present coal crisis.

Asked to make a reply she said "no comment." But, in her remarks, as on the closed shop issue, she favored the miners on this point also. She said that "the UMWA has offered on three occasions to my knowledge, and perhaps on another one, willingness to work for a definite or indefinite period of time," but has been turned down.

"This constitutes a violation of the principles of collective bargaining. Among the things that is commonly accepted in collective bargaining is willingness to continue operations," she said.

"This action was a mistake and I wish it could be corrected at this time. If this offer had been accepted there would be no shortage of coal and no hunger in the mines."

Council Defeats Resolution on Court Reform

Debate Rages Over ALP-Fusion Support of Desmond Bill

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ris said that without home rule the city was "a mere creature of the state."

"With a budget of about $590,000,000, we control only $180,000,000, and $423,000000 is fixed by law" he said. "New York City is not in short pants any longer. I believe that this council should not be encouraging this buck-passing system by which the responsibility is shifted between Albany and City Hall."

Acrimonious debate followed Mr. Morris' appeal to the coalition to uphold the Desmond Bill. With debate limited to five minutes by ruling of the vice-chairman, Councilmen Keegan, Spellman, Kinsley and Sharkey took the floor to declare "lack of confidence in the present administration" and to uphold "the independence of the judiciary."

Mr. Straus accused Mr. Cashmore of inattention to the debate and Mr. Cashmore snapped that he had "heard it for years."

"Mr. Cashmore says he has heard this for years," said Mr. Straus, "but why hasn't anything been done about it?"

"It's because of arrogance," said Mr. Morris from the chair, and there was a storm of protest led by Bronx Democrat Charles E. Keegan.

In concluding debate, Mr. Cashmore said: **"We have no confidence in the present administration."**

CITE PROGRESSIVE SUPPORT

Summarizing debate for the Fusion-Labor bloc, Andrew R. Armstrong, Brooklyn A.L.P., explained progressive support for the Desmond Bill **"because too many bills are buried in committee"** in the State Legislature and never permitted to see the light of day.

Earlier the Council unanimously passed a resolution memorializing the State Legislature to pass pending bills which would regulate the wearing of non-official uniforms in the state. The resolution apparently referred to camps of the Nazi Bund "just outside New York City."

First business to come up yesterday disclosed that after two letters from a special committee asking an appointment with Grover Whalen to discuss employment policy of the World's Fair Corp. had not been answered, a representative of Mr. Whalen called members of the committee an hour before the Council meeting to make an appointment for today. Mr. Armstrong, minority leader, is chairman of the committee.

Mr. Armstrong said that he had twice written Mr. Whalen, but that two weeks went by without a reply. At noon, a call was received from Herbert Brownell, representing Mr. Whalen, and the appointment was made. The Council voted to continue the committee.

A resolution introduced by Michael J. Quill, A.L.P., Bronx, to send condolences to the family of Frank P. Walsh, noted labor attorney, who died last week while on his way to court, was unanimously adopted.

Other Council actions included:

Filing of a resolution to congratulate Gov. Cuthbert Olson of California for freeing Tom Mooney.

Setting a standard one and one-half ounce glass with contents marked for sale of spirit liquors over bars.

Voting to change the name of Brooklyn Bridge Plaza to "S. Parkes Cadman Park."

The Council adjourned to meet next Tuesday at 1 o'clock, and set Friday for a public hearing on the city budget by the finance committee.

United Methodist Church Urged to Recognize Unions

The newly United Methodist Church was urged today to recognize the right of its employees to organize and to set up a pension fund for all of its workers, in an address by Dr. Ernest Fremond Tittle of Evanston, Ill.

"Let the church go so far as to take the initiative to life up the standards of employer-employee relationships," said Dr. Tittle. "Let the church pronounce the right of its employees to organize."

He emphasized that the church employs not only pastors but janitors and a wide range of workers in its several publishing plants.

East Meets West

'FRISCO FAIR PRESIDENT, Leland W. Cutler (right), and Mrs. Cutler are greeted at the New York World's Fair by its president, Grover Whalen.

By Land, Sea, Air, Cal. YCL Is Here

24 Delegates to Convention Impressed by Fair But Point Out That San Francisco Exhibits Are 100% Union Made—Show Big Gains in State

By Howard Rushmore

The California Young Communist League is willing to admit that Grover Whalen has a mighty impressive World of Tomorrow, but they'd like to remind him that San Francisco's World's Fair is just as stupendous—and it's 100 per cent union mode.

However, the 24 delegates from the Golden Bear state to the national convention of the YCL admit that the New York fair has one thing that San Francisco lacks and that is a Soviet pavilion. Otherwise they'll stick to their own exhibition and passed a resolution at their recent State convetnion whereby all and sundry YCL'ers in the United States are cordially invited to the California Fair to sample Western hospitality.

BY LAND, SEA, AIR

The delegation, weary after the long trip across the continent, came by land, sea and air to the convention. Eleven came by bus, nine by car, two by train, one by sea and one flew from Los Angeles "so I'd be sure of hearing ... der at the Garden tomorrow night."

They were headed by Dick Criley, state secretary ofthe League, who reported proudly that the California YCL now has a membership of 1,100. Dick, a San Francisco native, tall, blond and blue-eyed, said that was the figure when they left. "Must be a lot more now," said Dick.

The League is in practically ever branch of California.

In Santa Clara county the... are two large groups of Spanish cannery workers who are all YCL members. Hollywood boasts of a membership of 60, many of whom are in the basic trades in the cinema capital. There is a strong YCL also on San Francisco's waterfront and in the various marine industries. Among the thousands of unionists who built the Exposition were a number of YCLers. The League has many members among the agricultural workers. They are active in student organizations, in youth groups such as the California Youth Legislature and many others.

SOCIAL GROUPS REPRESENTED

California's many social groups are well represented. Al Bocani of San Francisco, a leader of the Philippine - American youth is a delegate. So is Louis Orozco, Mexican, from Los Angeles. Two Negro youth, Newell Johnson, railroad worker of Oakland and Virgil Richards of Los Angeles, were elected from their branches. Claudia Bayes, whose grandfather was a 49er and Patricia Martin, of Irish descent, were among the girl delegates.

The League has played an important role in the building of anti-fascist and labor youth organizations in the State, Criley said. The California Youth Legislature, representing three to four hundred thousand young people in religious, labor and student organizations, is doing excellent work in the State and the YCL is giving it full support, Criley pointed out. The League also played a major role is the fight for Tom Mooney's freedom, in last year's elections and in virtually every campaign for the welfare of the common people of California.

HAIL HOLLYWOOD ROLE

All of the delegates were enthusiastic about the part Hollywood is playing in the fight for democracy. And they were quietly proud of two native sons who have made headlines recently. Steinbeck's "Grapes of Wrath" is going to become a favorite novel in the California YCL, said the delegates and they also stressed the fact that New York's own Yankees have a San Francisco waterfront boy by the name of DiMaggio who isn't any slouch in his profession.

For all but three of the delegates, it was their first trip to New York. Gotham is a pretty big city, say the flower of California's youth, and there is a lot to see.

FDR Gives 2nd Efficiency Plan To Congress

New Reorganization Draft Would Eliminate Five Federal Agencies

WASHINGTON, May 9 (UP).—President Roosevelt today recommended to Congress the elimination of five federal agencies, integration of government commercial and diplomatic activities abroad under the State Department, and other changes to save an estimated $1,250,000 annually.

The shakeup was proposed in Mr. Roosevelt's second reorganization plan, which he said would be the last to be submitted at this session. He said in a special message, however, that he intended to transfer, abolish and consolidate certain unidentified commissions and boards by executive and military order after plan No. 2 becomes effective.

He said, also, that the desirability of transferring jurisdiction over deportable aliens from the Labor Department to the Justice Department was being considered. He hinted that this problem and overlapping jurisdictions between the Departments of Interior and Agriculture over public lands might be dealt with in plan No. 3.

ABOLISHES COAL BOARD

The first plan placed the bureau directly under the White House and created three new agencies to handle public works, lending and welfare activities of the government. It was approved by the House last week and becomes law on June 24. Senate approval is not required. Plan No. 2 becomes effective in 60 days unless it is rejected by both Houses, which is extremely unlikely.

It proposes to abolish the National Bituminous Coal Commission which was set up to administer the Guffey Coal Act; the National Emergency Council which is regarded as one of Mr. Roosevelt's pet agencies; the Codification Board which was established to codify existing administrative law, and the virtually defunct war-time officers of Director General of the Railroads and the War Finance Corporation.

The National Emergency Council Control would be transferred to the White House, except its film and radio activities which would be under the new Federal Security Agency. The Rural Electrification, now independent, would go under the Department of Agriculture.

The President sought to bring about peace in two government disputes which have plagued his administration for more than two years, and indicated his intention of resolving two more in his next plan. One of his biggest official headaches since its inception has been the National Bituminous Coal Commission.

It has been so embroiled in inter-office disputes, law suits and other conflicts that it has accomplished little. The President sought to end this trouble by placing the functions of the commission under the Interior Department Secretary.

The second controversy was more difficult, but Mr. Roosevelt appears to have solved it to the satisfaction of officials involved. It concerned the need of fusing under one administrative agency the diplomatic, trade and commercial activity by American government agents abroad.

Amter Opens Councilmanic Poll Drive

Dinner May 27 to Launch Campaign for Election Of State C. P. Chairman; Forbes Calls for Progressive Unity in Fall Balloting

Israel Amter, New York State chairman of the Communist Party, who as the nominee for Congressman-at-Large in November polled the largest Communist vote ever recorded in the state, is the first candidate to indicate his entrance into the 1939 race for councilman from Manhattan, it was announced yesterday by Henry G. Forbes, secretary of the New York County Committee.

Official launching of the campaign will be marked Saturday night, May 27, when 1,000 persons fete Amter at a dinner at the Hotel Center, 108 W. 43rd St.

Amter, veteran Communist campaigner, was the Party's designee two years ago, in the first balloting for City Council under the new City Charter. He polled 18,354 first votes at that time, and was not eliminated until the 30th count. Of his record-breaking 105,681 vote last year, 25,200 ballots were tabulated in Manhattan.

"These figures clearly reveal the growing influence of the Communist Party in New York County," Forbes stated, "and every indication points to a parallel increase since the November elections. The acuteness of national and international affairs is sharply reflected right here in New York, where threatened cuts in vital services show how the people must renew every effort to safeguard their interests."

P. R. IS DEMOCRATIC WAY

Proportional representation, Forbes declared, is "the democratic way of providing all groups with a voice in their government." The election of Amter to the City Council, he pointed out, will give the Communist Party its first legislator in New York City.

"Despite Tammany Hall's desperate attempts to discredit proportional representation," he continued, "the people of New York have seen that the system is basically sound. New York is through forever with the days when Tammany could elect an overwhelming majority to City Hall."

Asserting that the first test of proportional representation has taught the city valuable lessons in its application, Forbes pointed out that the present makeup of the City Council is still not entirely representative of the people's wishes.

"Although LaGuardia and the progressive movement which he heads downed the reactionary forces of Mahoney by a substantial margin in Manhattan in 1937," he explained, "Tammany was still able to elect three of the six councilmen to which New York County is entitled. That was because the Tiger concentrated on relatively few candidates, while the progressives spread their votes over a large number."

Tammany Hall will undoubtedly continue this technique in the 1939 elections, Forbes predicted. He called upon progressives to follow its lead and select a limited number of strong candidates.

"When the progressives do organize in this way," he said, "the City Council will reflect proportionately the will of the people of the borough of Manhattan. We will no longer be forced to witness the sabotage of our interests, such as we have seen in the Tammany-controlled Council room at City Hall these past two years."

Fans Rout Tunnel Gas

WASHINGTON (UP). — Three nine-foot fans remove 300,000 cubic feet of air per minute from the Wayona tunnel in Yosemite National Park to prevent the accumulation of carbon monoxide, a poison gas from automobile exhausts. The air is drawn through three shafts, the longest 500 feet, from the mountain top.

Ask All Parties To Fight for Anti-Bias Bills

Manhattan Citizens Group Holds Conference Tonight

Leaders of the Democratic, the Republican and the American Labor parties of New York County have been invited by Vivienne France, chairman of the Manhattan Citizens Committee, to be present at 9 o'clock this evening at the YMCA, 180 W. 135th St., at a conference to consider further means of supporting the 11 anti-discrimination bills now before the New York Legislature.

The Manhattan Citizens Committee, made up of representatives of various civic, trade union, church, youth, political and other organizations, was formed to popularize and to press for passage of the progressive measures sponsored by the Temporary Commission on the Condition of the Urban Colored Population.

Two of the bills have been passed and now await the Governor's signature. Others have been reported out of committee and await action on the floor of the Legislature.

Herbert L. Booth and H. C. Burton, Democratic and Republican leaders, respectively, of the 21st Assembly District, are among those who have been invited to come and tell what they intend to do toward having the remaining progressive bills passed.

AFL Union Pickets Fair On Pact Ban

Local 1420 Charges Denial of Rights to Organize

Fair Grounds Workers, Local 1420 of the International Hodcarriers, Building and Common Laborers Union of the A. F. of L. yesterday placed pickets at each the entrances of the World's Fair who carried signs charging the Fair Corporation with denying the union a right to organize.

The local has headquarters at 40-03 National Ave., Corona.

Spokesmen for the press bureau of the World Fair refused to comment on the situation.

Signs carried by pickets declared "The World's Fair Corporation Is Unfair to Fair Grounds Workers."

Oranges Grown in Home

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (UP). — Here's one way to make sure you get fresh fruit. Mrs. Jennie Benetti has fruit-bearing lemon and orange trees in her home. The plants are kept on a supporch during the winter, and are placed cutdoors in summer.

PRESIDENT THANKS BROUN FOR SUPPORT OF WHITE COLLAR W.P.A.

Exchange of Letters Stresses Guild's Stand on Projects

President Roosevelt's endorsement of the WPA Federal Arts Projects for the conservation of the skills of white collar and cultural workers was emphasized in a letter which the President sent to Heywood Broun, President of the American Newspaper Guild, under date of May 6.

The President's letter was in reply to a letter from Mr. Broun in which he voiced the hope that the congressional subcommittee now investigating the WPA would hear testimony on the achievements of the Arts project. At the same time Mr. Broun sent to every member of congress a reprint of an article in Publishers' Weekly which praised the work of the Writers project.

The letter from the President follows:

"May 6, 1939.

"My Dear Mr. Broun:

"Thank you for your letter of April twenty-first and for your endorsement of the Federal Arts Project and the white collar program of the Works Progress Administration in general.

"In a recent message to the Congress, I expressed my conviction that the program of the Works Progress Administration should, as at present, include some projects of the non-construction type to meet the needs of those unemployed workers whose training is such that they are not adapted to employment on construction projects.

"I stated further that: 'The provision of work for those people at occupations which will conserve their skills is of prime importance, and the emphasis placed upon construction projects should not obscure the necessity for this portion of the program.'

"I am glad to have your assurance that these projects have contributed to the cultural enrichment of the nation.

"Very sincerely yours,
(Signed) "Franklin D. Roosevelt."

LETTER TO PRESIDENT

Mr. Broun said in his letter to the President:

"Since we talked to you in Hyde Park last fall there have been many unjust and unwarranted attacks upon the white collar part of the WPA program.

"The Guild feels that the clerical, educational, professional,

HEYWOOD BROUN

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

recreational and other 'white collar' projects are not only vital to the preservation of the skill and talents and the health of the workers involved, but that these projects have enriched the nation culturally. We hope that the administration will do everything in its power to preserve these projects under Federal control and to expand them so that they will meet the needs of the large numbers of white collar unemployed.

"We are opposed to any legislation which would turn the white collar projects, especially the writers, theatre, music and art projects, over to the States. It is doubtful that more than two or three very enlightened States would continue them.

"The Guild is on record in whole-hearted approval of the achievements of the arts projects. We sincerely hope that the Congressional Committee now investigating the WPA will avail itself of testimony on these achievements and the value of them to the welfare of the people. For that reason I am taking the liberty of transmitting a copy of this letter to the Committee.

"In short, Mr. President, we think the Administration has done a swell job in the Arts projects and a job which could not have been done by any other agency. We also feel, as an organized group, that any curtailment of the work of these projects would be an outright tragedy."

Mr. Broun called on the President in Hyde Park last fall accompanied by Executive Vice-President Jonathan Eddy and Vice-President Morris Watson of the Guild. At that time the Guild representatives pointed out the pressing need for more white collar projects.

In transmitting a copy of the letter to the President to the congressional subcommitte investigating WPA, Mr. Broun wrote to Chairman Edward T. Taylor: "The Guild will appreciate it if you will permit its representatives and others who are familiar with the subject to testify before your investigating committee on the achievements of the WPA arts projects."

FDR Reaffirms His Backing of Writers', Arts Programs

Melvyn Douglas Hits Cuts in WPA

Movie Star and Cal. Relief Commission Member Warns That Slashes Imperil Democratic Program in Current Issue of Social Work Today

Melvyn Douglas, Columbia Pictures Star and recently appointed member of the California Relief Commission, warns state and federal governments against cutting appropriations for relief unless they are prepared to face the consequences of human waste and degradation, in an article written especially for Social Work Today.

Mr. Douglas joins forces with the defenders of WPA and of adequate relief standards, in this article, appearing in the current May issue, entitled "Can We Afford to Spend Less?"

"I have not a background in actual social work but I have a voice," Mr. Douglas writes. "I have convictions and I have some little knowledge of the subject. And the thing I want to do—more than anything else—is to lend my voice and my strength to help you demand and develop an honest and progressive and socially constructive welfare program."

"The problem which faces us today is not one of deciding how little we can get away with; how little we can spend; nor how little of the taxpayer's money we may use," Mr. Douglas points out.

"For us as members of the California Relief Commission, and for you as social workers engaged constructively in this field, the question is this: Can we afford to spend less than that which is necessary for a socially constructive welfare program?"

Destitution, delinquency and illness cost the state and government money, Mr. Douglas argues. Studies prove that slum clearance has resulted in financial gain to taxpayers and that actual saving in money has come with expenditures for social improvement, he writes.

Mr. Douglas suggests a two-fold program for social workers: first, "intelligent application of professional skills in the solution of individual family problems"; second, "serving as fact finding and interpretive groups which would pass on to government administrations and the public at large socially significant facts which come to its notice."

"This is the material side of the program. But there is another angle which seems more important to me. We live in a world today which is threatened on all sides by the wildest kinds of demagogues, by the most atrocious kinds of tyrannical government. We have just witnessed in the last few weeks the collapse of one democracy, Czechoslovakia, which was precious to many of us. Living in a world in which this can happen—and we are coming to realize that the potentialities are just as dangerous here as on the other side of the water—how DARE we go on condemning millions of people in this country to live under the conditions which our needy citizens are forced to endure?

"Can we have the vision to realize that, under these circumstances, anything can happen? We must understand that it is natural that those persons who want to stop progressive legislation, to halt any forward social step, hurl all manner of charges at those of us who attempt to be socially progressive. It seems to me that the people who insist upon maintaining the status quo, upon maintaining a national life in which millions are subject to unjust living conditions, are the ones who are the really subversive elements in our land."

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MELVYN C. DOUGLAS

Parents Tell of Trials Rearing Deficient Son

The agony suffered for 16 years by Anna and Louis Greenfield in rearing their abnormal son, Jerome, was told yesterday in Bronx County Court by Mrs. Greenfield, testifying in behalf of her husband, charged with manslaughter for the killing of the boy.

She said, under examination by defense attorney Samuel Leibowitz, that the Greenfields deprived themselves of clothes, food and amusements in a vain attempt to cure their mentally deficient child.

He had to be fed and dressed like a baby, brought back and forth four times a day for six years to attend an ungraded class in public school, and caused her husband to become morose and absent-minded, Mrs. Greenfield testified.

Watch for a new Labor Sports series sizing up the Trade Union Baseball League entries, now in spring training.

Hoboken Anti Hague Leader Jailed at Polls

HOBOKEN, N. J., May 9.—Joseph A. Clark, former City Commissioner challenging the machine rule of Mayor Bernard McFeely, whose political machine is linked to Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City, was beaten and arrested at the polls today.

Clark, running on the Fusion ticket for the Commission, was arrested on a charge of "atrocious assault and battery." The 52-year-old candidate for the Commission and his running mates for the five offices which run for four years, was expected to roll up a large vote against the McFeely forces.

The Fusion candidate was reported protesting irregularities in the voting when the arrest was made at 536 Jefferson St. polling place.

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Several hundred persons crowded the building, when the policeman tried to arrest Clark, and four additional policemen were called.

In three other Hudson County municipalties, elections were in progress for the election of Commissioners. Polls closed at 9 P.M.

In Bayonne, 27 candidates are running for the five offices. Dr. Bert Daly and Mayor Lucius F. Donohue, while endorsing opposing candidates, have both been linked to the Hague machine.

The relief scandal in West New York is the dominating issue, with two complete slates and independents fighting Mayor Joseph Stiltz's rule.

Only one independent candidate is opposing the slate of Mayor Paul Cullum in North Bergen.

Garment Union Official Under Fire, Resigns

The manager of Local 66, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, Leon Hattab, under charges for his conduct as a union official, yesterday resigned from office.

More than 1,000 members jammed P. S. 17 at 328 W. 48th St. to act on the resignation. The membership and David Dubinsky, president of the I.L.G.W.U., accepted the resignation. Dubinsky said that Hattab was inefficient and unethical in his conduct. Hattab had also been under fire to explain the finances of the union.

Jersey Labor Head Acts on Minimum Wage

Labor Dept. Head Orders $14 Minimum for Women and Minor Clerks

TRENTON, N. J., May 9 (UP).—Women or minors working as clerks in retail cleaning and dyeing stores must be paid a minimum wage of $14 a week under an order approved today by State Commissioner of Labor John J. Toohey, Jr.

Toohey said that previously a number of employers had made their women employes work hours longer than the maximum of 54 a week permitted by law and that he had instructed his department to prosecute such cases.

Today's order established three zones. In metropolitan Zone A, including Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic and Union Counties, the minimum hourly wage will be 33 cents an hour. In metropolitan Zone B, including Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Mercer, Somerset, and with the exception of the Oct. 1-June 1 period, Atlantic, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, the minimum hourly wage will be 30 cents. In the suburban zone, including Cape May, Cumberland, Hunterdon, Salem, Sussex and Warren Counties, and during the period Oct. 1 to June 1, Atlantic, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, the minimum hourly wage will be 30 cents.

35 Brooklyn Auto Owners Sign With CIO Union

A contract with 35 employers, members of the United Auto Collison Shop Owners Association of Brooklyn, yesterday ended a week-old strike of 250 workers, affiliated to Local 250, United Automobile Workers of America, CIO.

There are 150 workers still out on strike. Workers gained wage increased ranging from 10 to 35 per cent, reduction in hours from 60 to 44, the closed shop, seniority rights and six holidays with pay.

Jack Shainuik, strike chairman, predicted that the rest of the employers, all in Brooklyn, would be forced to sign the agreement shortly, now that the larger body and fender shops had agreed to union terms.

Seabury to Head Bar Association In New York City

Samuel Sesbury will be elected president of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York tonight, it became known yesterday when the nominating committee's list of candidates was made public.

Members of the bar indicated that they expect a strong, vigorous administration at the hands of Mr. Seabury, who is famous for his aggressiveness when it comes to a battle.

WARNER BROS. HEAD ASSAILS MOVE TO BAN ANTI-NAZI FILM

Bitterly assailing those who would force the suspension of movie showings of "Confessions of a Nazi Spy" or a re-review of the film, J.L. Warner, vice-president of the corporation by the same name which produced the anti-Nazi picture, yesterday termed objectors to the picture as either "sympathetic to the Nazi cause or to espionage in the United States."

The report that 100 people residing in Kansas City have petitioned the censor board to re-review Warner Bros. "Confessions of a Nazi Spy" was answered by him in the following statement.

"I understand that about 100 people signed a petition asking the Kansas City censor board to re-review 'Confessions of a Nazi Spy.' I also understand this movement is headed by Herman Gastreich, German Vice-Consul in Kansas City, who obviously is not a citizen of the United States. I cannot believe that any group other than one sympathetic to the Nazi cause or to espionage in the United States, would object to 'Confessions of a Nazi Spy.'

"This picture has been viewed and endorsed by leading patriotic societies who do not subscribe to the Nazi regime and by American war service and educational societies everywhere. Our picture is based upon exposures of Nazi espionage activities in the United States which are a matter of court record. It deals with subversive activities of the Nazi regime, not in Germany, but right here in our own U. S. A. and is a matter of grave concern to every American citizen.

EDWARD G. ROBINSON
In Cast of "Confessions of a Nazi Spy"

PETITION IS UN-AMERICAN

"Our picture was passed by the Kansas City censor board and no question was raised by the censor board as to its propriety. We do not believe that any group, instigated by a German Vice-Consul, should interfere with the right of American citizens to see it.

"We feel the petition against our picture is un-American and repugnant to our citizens. Naturally we do not expect every individual to agree with the contents of our story, but we feel that no one other than the duly constituted authorities have the right to censor American motion pictures.

"The motion picture critic of the Kansas City Star, Mr. John Moffett, found the picture 'impressive.'

"We can only say that all that such petitions accomplish in the United States is to make the public curious as to the object and source of the attack."

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An Event to Note Well: Tomorrow at the Garden

• Here is a meeting you cannot afford to miss. Nobody who wants to be up on the most outstanding political developments of this country can afford to miss it. Besides, those who wish to be present at the stirring opening of the Young Communist League Ninth National Convention have another good reason for wanting to be present.

We refer to the report by Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, entitled: "The 1940 Elections—How the People Can Win," which is the highlight of the Communist Party National Committee just held.

Don't forget the date: Tomorrow evening, May 11th at Madison Square Garden. Clear all dates for this major event.

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Unanswerable Testimony

• We were happy to be able, with our limited resources, to devote almost a full page yesterday to the siginificant reports of the U. S. Conference of Mayors on the issue of WPA.

Other newspapers in the city, with many times the resources of the Daily Worker, saw fit to pay only scant attention to the statements of the mayors—Democrat as well as Republican—of all the important cities on the great *value* of WPA projects and the need for *expanding* them.

The Tory newspapers have been devoting *their* space to the fabulous tales of stool-pigeons, "investigators," and red-baiters about WPA "waste" and "inefficiency." But these baseless, malicious charges, which had been given big headlines, were wiped out at one blow by Mayor LaGuardia and the statements of 100 municipal administrations.

The testimony of the mayors before the House WPA Investigating Committee has proved beyond question the enormous usefulness and value of WPA and the widespread sentiment for seeing it expanded.

But sentiment alone is not enough. The people must pound on the doors of Congress and make their voices heard if the plots of the Tories against WPA are to be defeated.

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The People Want to Read

• The announcement that service in the great New York Public Library is to be curtailed from June 1, comes as a sort of calamity. With public use of this institution growing, as everyone admits, its facilities should, if anything, be expanded.

Frank L. Polk, president of the Board of Trustees, announced that all special reading rooms in the main building at Fifth Ave. and 42nd St., would close at 6 P.M. on weekdays and remain closed all day on Sundays. Normally, they are open to 10 P.M. on weekdays and 1 to 10 P.M. Sundays. Among the reading rooms affected are American history, art, music, economics, Jewish, science, and technology. The new system will be toughest on New Yorkers who work all day, and can't use the library except on Sundays.

Mr. Polk points out that the department scheduled for the axe is supported by private funds, which have become "insufficient." But his fellow officers on the Trustee Board are J. P. Morgan, first vice-president, Junius S. Morgan, treasurer, and the U. S. Trust Company, asst. treasurer. These titans of finance who can pile up millions of profit for themselves, are utterly dumb on how to keep up an essential educational facility for the people. They are always willing to cut down on the rights and privileges of the public, schools being an outstanding example. That is their idea of "economy."

Ways and means should—and could—be found to prevent this unfortunate thing from happening.

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New Tricks Against America's Peace

• Americans who want this country to stay at peace should be alert to the latest tricks of the anti-Roosevelt forces.

It has just been announced, for example, that the slick and tricky Ludlow Amendment will be dragged out again, with the Senate Judiciary Committee to start hearings on it today. Coupled with this, there are the muttered threats by Ludlow in the House and his colleagues in the Senate about a filibuster against adjourning Congress "to keep the country from being eased into war." As if Hitler wants peace, the dove, and Roosevelt "wants war"!

All this is part of the conspiracy sponsored by a motley crew of pacifists, professional "isolationists," Hoover henchmen like Senator Clarke, and other pro-Hitler forces in the country to knife President Roosevelt's anti-fascist peace policy.

The Ludlow Amendment has a democratic sound; it talks about "referendums." But it has received the enthusiastic approval of Mussolini and the democracy-hating Nazis. This should make every American deeply suspicious of it. It pleases the fascists because the Ludlow Amendment would not only cripple America's ability to defend itself against fascist aggression but **it also is directly tied up now with pro-Munich scheme for "appeasement."** Scratch a Ludlow Amendment sponsor, and you find a man willing to give Hitler more victims. In fact, Congressman Ludlow yesterday started his new fight for his bill by attacking President Roosevelt for putting Hitler on the spot with a peace proposal. That just about labels the whole Ludlow movement as a clear trick to win the U.S. for another Munich grab.

With the close of the hearings on the Neutrality Act, decent people should wire Senator Thomas of the Foreign Relations Committee expressing support for his amendment, and urging a completely basic revision of the Act to permit American embargo against aggressor nations.

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Hitler Wants to Keep America Jimcrow

• From Berlin direct comes a note of warning to the lynchers of America that they are slackening in their work, and that Hitlerism is displeased. Nazi propaganda chief Rosenberg made a speech in which he coarsely asserts that the granting of equal rights to the Negro people will "bring the downfall of civilization."

In this manner, the Hitlerites cooperate with the oppressors of the Negro people in America. The cooperation is being returned if one may judge by the pro-Hitler activities of Senator Reynolds and the Dies crowd.

In the "racial" incitements of Hitler, the Negro people can glimpse what horror fascism holds in store for them should it conquer. And this is just as true of Hitler's partner, Japanese militarism, as it is of Hitler. Hitler wants to keep America jimcrow because an America poisoned with race hatreds is an easier victim for fascist conquest. This is a vivid lesson in the importance of defending Negro rights as crucial to the defense of democracy for all.

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Words and Deeds

• William Green felt it necessary to assure the convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks the other day that the Federation is "doing everything in its power to bring about peace in the labor movement."

These hypocritical words show that Green is aware of the intense desire on the part of the A. F. of L. membership for unity. He must sense too the amazement and indignation that is spreading at his recent moves to spike unity and to work in cahoots with the open-shoppers to destroy the CIO.

Green assured the railway clerks that the negotiations with the CIO, interrupted by the coal situation, would be resumed soon. But while he pays this pious lip-service to the cause of unity, Green commits one of the most treacherous acts in the history of the labor movement with his public declaration in support of the coal operators.

Green says the Federation is "doing everything possible in its power to bring about peace" between CIO and A. F. of L. Meanwhile he issues a charter to Homer Martin in the vain hope of destroying the CIO Auto Workers Union. And he gives another charter to the disruptive Francis Gorman in the equally vain hope of splitting the CIO Textile Workers Organizing Committee.

Green's words are beginning to lose their power to deceive. For the meaning of his deeds is becoming clearer every day. The membership of the A. F. of L. is beginning to demand that he halt his under-handed attacks on the CIO and actually work for the unity which they so earnestly seek.

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The World's Fair Stings The Chicago Tribune

• During the past few weeks, the Nazi press in Germany has been reprinting the "hate-Roosevelt" cartoons of the Chicago Tribune, labelling these cartoons as the "voice of America."

Hitler would like America to be the kind of country typified by the heartless reaction of the Tribune. It is lucky for the American people that Hitler's favorite American newspaper, the Chicago Tribune, does not speak for the majority of the people.

We mention this as an introduction to the fact that the Chicago Tribune is now having a fit over the New York World's Fair. It doesn't like the whole idea of the Fair as expressed in the "World of Tomorrow" slogan. Also, the Chicago Tribune is approaching a state of convulsion over the fact that the pavilion of the Soviet Union towers beautifully at the Fair, a symbol of peace and progress.

The real love of the Tribune is the Swastika. The Tribune misses it at the Fair. But the Fair has caught the imagination of America just because the people support the ideals of world peace and cooperation of all peoples.

The Chicago Tribune does not speak for Chicago any more than it speaks for America. It is detested in its own city, where the people have just replied to its anti-New Deal hate in a deluge of New Deal votes. The Chicago Tribune and Hitler don't like the Fair. But that makes America like it all the more.

by Ellis

Literature Takes Up Its Arms

• The opening of the World Congress of Writers at the World's Fair on Monday was an event of unusual social importance.

It not only brought together world-famous writers whose work is the intellectual coinage of our time, although such a writers' meeting took fire from the atmosphere of the Fair itself which speaks, through all the spectacular color of its displays, a challenge to the degeneracy of Fascism.

In the words of their president, the famous French novelist, Jules Romains, the writers opened their literary Congress with a summons to struggle against Fascism.

Romains held up for the writers the lessons of the German intellectuals who had dreamed the futile dream that "politics" did not concern them. Today, the Brown Plague of Hitlerism has swept over their land, outlawing the achievements of art and the intelligence.

In September, the writers organization for which Jules Romains spoke, the P.E.N., supported the Munich agreement in its resolution. But the disillusionment has been swift. **"Since Munich a number of detestable things have happened,"** Romains declared, listing the advance of Fascist conquest. Today, the Munich spirit is dead or dying among the writers who want to defend the values and the liberties which make literature meaningful. **"These hopes have been belied,"** Romains exclaimed passionately of the Munich "peace" promises. **"It would require a pharisaical hypocrisy to refuse to see from what side the supreme danger comes. We have as writers a deep responsibility for the maintenance of the essential values of civilization."**

It is remarkable that this great European novelist should have spoken out in admiration of President Roosevelt's peace fight. It is equally notable that so leading a representative of world culture should have picked the World's Fair in the United States to issue his summons for action. This is a further tribute to the fact that the struggles of the American people for a better life, through the New Deal and beyond it, have given the American people a place of world leadership in the defense of human values and peace.

Let the reactionaries rave cynically about the "lack of morality" in the fight of the masses for economic security. From the Congress of World Writers at the World's Fair has come the tribute to the American people which they deserve. The fight for art and the fight for social and national security against Fascist aggression are one fight in this hour.

Letters From Our Readers

Federal Theatre Must Be Continued—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Recently our Branch held a theater party at the Ritz Theatre, where we saw a performance of "Pinocchio."

For over two hours we were transported to a joyous land. The cruel awakening came when we came out into the street, where we heard the cry, "If you liked the play, sign the petition to continue the Federal Theatre plays." Did we sign!

Let us bombard Congress with telegrams to continue the Federal Theatre! Workers with little money for recreation should be able to get the best that these artists are capable of giving. And these artists must continue to earn a livelihood. EVE LEVINI.

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Club Lauds Roosevelt for Peace Stand—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter which every member of our club, and many of their friends, sent to President Roosevelt. We urge every progressive youth club to do likewise:—

"Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt:

"With all the world entangled in a mad scramble toward war, your attempts to bring together all nations wishing to perpetuate peace and democracy is to be highly commended. I agree with you that fascist aggression can be stopped only by the collective action of all democracies.

"Yours in defense of peace,

"DANNY HASKELL YOUTH CLUB."

News of the Day—National Convention YCL—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Daily Worker today (May 8) surpasses every issue of last week. It is so full of pep, so exciting and lively, and, most of all, truthful and militant. Keep up the excellent work!

As a member of the Young Communist League, I am glad to see the Daily Worker give my organization plenty of publicity on our forthcoming National Convention! I can assure you that there are many other YCL'ers who feel the same as I do.

The Daily Worker is a fighter for Liberty, Progress, Peace and Prosperity. Keep punching!

MAX MITCHEN.

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Praises Warner Brothers For Progressive Film—

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This is a copy of a letter sent to Warner Brothers: "Gentlemen:

"I have just seen your "Confessions of a Nazi Spy."

"Without pulling punches you let the Nazi menace in America have it with both barrels.

"Warner Brothers have made a vital contribution to American democracy.

"Yours for pictures with a social significance."

P. F.

P. S.—"It should be shown in all the small towns and villages where the ratzis are hard at 'work.'"

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'It Must Be Cut Out Like a Cancer'—

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

This is a copy of a letter sent to the Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee:—

"Hon. Senator K. Pittman:

"As a World War Veteran who actually served overseas for preservation of democracy and willing to serve my country again in case of need, I sincerely believe that isolation or a pacifist policy would endanger the fundamental bases of democracies throughout the world.

"No self-respecting individual can stomach and tolerate the fascist outrages and tactics here and abroad.

"My dear Senator, you must not pay heed to these gentlemen like Father Coughlin, the swivel chair General Jeremiah Cross, former commander of the New York American Legion; Hon. Senator Reynolds and Hon. Senator Bainbridge Colby.

"These gentlemen are hiding themselves behind the American flag and hollering most for strict isolation from European entanglements. Yet, they would be the first to welcome fascism in this country. If we want to preserve our democratic form of government, fascism must be stopped in its growth and cut out like a cancer from a human body.

"As a staunch supporter of democratic ideas, I urge you to uphold the government to have the right to embargo all aggressor nations." F. M. G.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

A Number of Varied and Seemingly Separated Events, All Signifying: "Appeasement"

• One word, we believe, sums up the objectives of such feverish events in London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, all the way from broadcast of the Duke of Windsor to the activities of the Vatican. And that word is: "Appeasement."

Parallel with the events in which the Munich abettors unquestionably have a hand, there are the crafty efforts of Mr. Chamberlain and his cabinet to confuse the British people about the real course of the negotiations concerning the Soviet Union's peace front proposals.

By every cunning means he can devise, Mr. Chamberlain is striving to delay exposing his stand with regard to the Soviet Union. In the meantime, he hopes to avoid commitments for a genuine peace front by coming to some new Munich terms with Hitler, and by such means as would conceal the true purpose of another "appeasement."

Mr. Chamberlain is actually raising hopes for an early "consummation of an Anglo-Soviet agreement," as the N. Y. Times put it, to forestall popular indignation with his "appeasement" intrigues.

"Appeasement," understood in its proper sense as tragically revealed by the destruction of Czechoslovak independence and the present threatening world war danger, means again new efforts of the British Tories to push Hitler against the Soviet Union.

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To gain his end, Chamberlain was not averse to a broadcast by that great British lover, the Duke of Windsor. For it turns out that the Duke had permission of the King for his phony "peace" speech, and the King would not be likely to grant his consent without advice of Mr. Chamberlain.

What was the logic of the Duke's broadcast? Obviously it was in favor of another Munich. The Duke's speech was made when Hitler was pressing his territorial demands on Poland, which, if granted, would mean the end of Polish independence and the enormously increased danger of world war.

To gain his aim, Hitler threatens invasion. The Duke tells the world at this moment: "You and I know that peace is a matter far too vital for our welfare to be treated as a political question." Since Hitler says peace cannot be had without complying with Nazi demands, the Duke makes the most specific arguments in favor of supporting the Chamberlains and Daladiers in creating new "appeasement" betrayals of world peace and libersy.

The Duke, characteristically, condemned the use of the word "aggression," which is in itself a subtle defense of fascism. But what would the ex-king term the invasion of China, the Nazi grabbing of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Memel? How would he describe the rape of Ethiopia and the conquest of Albania? The Duke believes, no doubt, if he can make people accept these fascist aggressions undertaken by his friend Hitler, and by Mussolini, as "border rectifications," then there is no need for a peace front to halt aggression.

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In the meantime, the Vatican is humming with activity to assist "appeasement" efforts. A curious explanation of the Vatican's participation in the "appeasement" attempts.

"It appears," he wrote on Tuesday, "that the Italian government is favorable. It cannot on its own initiative suggest a new Munich on Italian soil after the failure of the dictators to live up to that agreement." So the Pope is called upon to act.

Is the Vatican, then, to become the shield to a new Munich?

Involved will be not only Hitler's demands against Poland, demands which are aimed to destroy the independence of the Polish people, the majority of whom are Catholics. Mussolini this time anticipates some satisfaction of his demands against France.

When Hitler was last "appeased" at the expense of Sudetenland, this inspired and aided the Nazi dictator to murder Czechoslovak independence.

What is the most likely consequences of a new Munich?

The whole fascist program, the past experiences of the Rome-Berlin axis, give the undeniable reply: The acceleration of the war plans of fascism against the democracies, the destruction or weakening of the national integrity of the small nations listed by Hitler for absorption in the Nazi Reich.

There would be no peace. Instead, there would be more intensive war preparations by the fascists encouraged and incited by any new "appeasements."

Meanwhile—and this is the most dangerous feature of the present intrigues—Hitler would continue bleeding Germany and starving the German people to increase his military preparations. The fascists would make the fullest use of the "appeasement" intrigues and conferences to insure their grabbing of new territory (in this instance, Danzig and Pomorze), just as the previous Munich preparations spurred Hitler's war machine to seize Sudetenland.

Primarily, "appeasement" today is proposed in an attempt to avoid, and, if possible, to defeat, the rapid movement and popular demand for a peace front which could halt fascist aggression and save humanity from a world slaughter.

Change the World

A Life and Death Struggle Going on In South America

By MIKE GOLD

HAVANA, Cuba.—One of the main business streets here is named in a manner that should please my fellow-members of the James Connolly club in New York. It is the Calle O'Reilly, pronounced however, Aw-rrrayly. One of the most brutal governors sent here by Spain in colonial days was a dictator named O'Donnell. And the other day I met a beautiful young woman, a dark, graceful Cuban comrade whose scarlet cheekbones against a golden skin made an exotic and exciting contrast. After a long and complicated questionnaire in Spanish (she knew of English only those ancient words, "Ma Fran"). I found out that her name was Teresa Murphy, bless her.

Yes, those Irish explorers got around, but what I started to say was that on the Calle O'Reilly today I saw a dark-skinned newsboy selling a big, smirking chromo portrait of General Franco for five centavoes (which is too much for such a Judas).

The same portrait, painted in poison-bright shades by one of those beer-parlor muralists, is being plastered on quite a few newsstands. A fascist newspaper here has published it as a souvenir of the great victory in Spain.

Some people must buy the thing, or a commercial-fascist would not spend money on the speculation. The Batista government has outlawed the Falangist organization, with its open slanders, provocations and intrigues against Cuban democracy, but the fascists still ferment and operate like a swarm of maggots under the surface.

How could it be otherwise in a Latin-American country? All the aristocracy of South America, especially the spoiled young bounders whose papas owned enormous estates and thousands of slaves, are at loose ends today. The estates are being broken up, and economic and political dictatorship is not as effective as it used to be. So the young bloods, who hate and despise the people with a rabid contempt of which we have no counterpart in the United States, have turned to Mussolini and Hitler as to a new Savior who can lead them back to their golden age of luxury and sadism.

They are slender and anemic in an "interesting" way, with high noses, bold eyes, little fiery moustaches and quick, impatient hands. Very ignorant and very proud, they and their cousins have family links in all the departments of government, the army and navy, in business and landlordism. They have been the ruling class in South America for generations, and still feel that the continent is their oyster.

AMONG the people, slave-minded dopes and little foolish girls who become stenographers in order to marry the boss look up to these elements in the same romantic manner that our American girls often do when Clark Gable or Robert Taylor passess by.

Fascism is no new thing to South America, but the old system of class government, just as it is in Spain. It is a restoration. The aristocrats here hate emodcracy because it has robbed them of their ancient fleshpots. They will fight with any means, and they have deeply rooted bases in the national life.

Always a menace, now that Hitler and Mussolini, have won in Spain, the menace cannot be exaggerated. It was only a few months ago that such a fascist mob roamed the streets of Mexico City, attacking Jewish stores. It may happen in a few weeks here in Havana, for the fascists are calling a big anti-Semitic mass meeting in the Theatro Nacional for May 27th. "The Jews are driving Cubans out of our own land! The Jews are capturing our business," etc. etc., these posters say.

There are only 10,000 Jews in all Cuba, and their business consists mainly of peddling badly-made lace curtains and rhumba instruments to tourists. But the fascists are not really after the Jews, but after the trade unions and Cuban democracy—and Batista, who is casting his weight on the democratic side.

Franco in Spain is the most powerful lever world fascism has been handed for the penetration of South America. We will hear a great deal more of Franco on this side of the Atlantic. Let's remember our own fascists in the State Department who helped give Hitler this weapon against the U. S. A.

On the Radio

Tonight at 8:45 over Station WQXR (1550 kc.) Deputy Commissioner-General Vassily V. Bourgmas of the Soviet exhibition at the New York Worlds' Fair will make his first American speech in which he will describe the main features of the Soviet exhibit. Recordings of the Red Army Chorus will be heard; also music by Glier, Prokofieff and other Soviet composers.

The program, known as "Scenes from the Soviet Union" sponsored by Intourist which is usually heard for fifteen minutes at 9:00 has been extended to a half-hour because of the special significance of the broadcast. Along with Deputy Commissioner-General Vassily V. Bourgmas, Jerry Goury, narrator on the weekly show will further describe the Soviet exhibit which includes among other things, the plane used to make the first trans-polar flight from Moscow to California; a replica in precious stones of the Palace of the Soviets; a reproduction, in miniature of one of the stations of the Moscow metro; and examples of the Arctic discoveries made by the Soviet explorers and scientists who spent nine months at the North Pole.

SHORTWAVE BAND

Radio Center, Moscow, 4:00 A.M. 15.217 Megacycles, 8:00 P.M. 6.030, 9.600, 15.080, 15.217 Megacycles.
Der Deutche Freiheit Sender, 10.10 Megacycles, 4:00 P.M.
XEXA, Mexico City, 6.172 Megacycles, 12:00 Midnight., "Good Neighbor Hour."

DIAL READINGS

WMCA—570 Kilocycles, WEAF—660, WOR—710, WJZ—760, WNYC—810, WABC—860, WHN—1010, WINS—1180, WNEW—1250, WEVD—1300, WQXR—1550.

MORNING

7:00 A.M.—WNYC-Sunrise Symphony.
7:30—WQXR-Breakfast Symphony.
7:45—WABC-Morning News Report.
8:00—WOR-Trans-Radio News.
8:15—WNYC-New York State Employment Service and Consumers Guide.
8:30—WHN-U. P. News. WNYC-World's Fair News.
8:45—WNYC-News and Around New York Today.
9:00—WQXR-Composers Hour. WNYC-Masterwork Hour.
9:30—WOR-Women Make the News.
9:45—WHN-U. P. News.
10:00—WNYC-Board of Education Program.
11:00—WNYC-World Congress of Writers, talk by Erica Mann.
11:45—WNYC-"You and Your Health."

AFTERNOON

12:00—WHN-U. P. News. WOR-Journal of Living. WNYC-Organ Recital from Temple of Religion, at World's Fair.
12:30 P.M.—WOR-Trans-Radio News WNYC-Midday Symphony. WJZ-National Farm and Home Hour.
12:45—WQR-Consumers Quizz Club.
1:45—WJZ-New Utrecht High School Choir.
2:00—WNYC-Opera Matinee. WJZ-"Your Health."
2:15—WHN-U. P. News.
2:30—WNYC-Band Concert.
2:45—WMCA-News.
3:00—WNYC, WJZ-World Congress of Writers. Speakers, Vincent Sheean, Vera Dean, Sir Wilmot Lewis, and Dorothy Thompson. WOR-Baseball Notes. WABC-According to Hoyte.
3:10—WHN, WOR-Dodgers vs. Cincinnati Reds. WABC-Giants vs. Pittsburgh Pirates.
3:30—WOV-1130 ks. "Little Red Schoolhouse." WPA Program.
4:00—WJZ-Club Matinee. WNYC-Four Strings at 4:00. WQXR—Music of the Moment.
4:30—WNYC-Education Forum. WQXR-Hour of Symphonic Music.
5:00—WMCA-News. WJZ-Dance Music. WNYC-Concert Orchestra.
5:15—WEAF-Description of Dixie Handicap from Maryland Racetrack. WABC-"Of Men and Books."
5:30—WQXR-Young People's Concert, in Cooperation with New York Public Library. WABC-Academy Singers from Erie, Pennsylvania. WNYC-"The World Around Us." WHN-Street Interviews.
5:45—WHN-U. P. News. WJZ-Man About Town

EVENING

6:00—WEAF-"Our American Schools." WOR-Uncle Don. WNYC-"Your Hometown Reporter. WQXR-Music to Remember.
6:15—WEAF-Associated Press News, and News with Ford Bond. WNYC-World's Fair Reporter.
6:30—WMCA-Sport Talk. WEAF-Names Make News. WOR-Trans-Radio News. WABC-Sport Chat. WQXR-Virginia Ackerman, Piano Recital.
6:45—WEAF-Bill Stearn's Scrapbook. WNYC-News. WHN-Dick Fishell, Sports Resume.
7:00—WEAF-"Mr. District Attorney." WOR-Stan Lomax, Sports Revue. WJZ-Easy Aces. WQXR-Gilbert and Sullivan Hour. WNYC-Repeat of Masterwork Hour.
7:15—WMCA-"Five-Star Final. WEAF-Forest Service Program. WHN-Today's Baseball.
7:30—WEAF-Revelers, Male Quartet. WHN-George Hamilton Combs, News Commentator. WABC-"Ask it, Basket."
8:00—WEAF-"One Man's Family." WJZ-Magic Melodies. WABC-Gang Busters. WEVD-Bryce Oliver, News Commentator. WQXR-High Fidelity Concert. WOR-Carlo Morrelli, Metropolitan Opera Co. Baritone, Chorus and Orchestra. WNYC-Negro Melody Singers.
8:15—WEVD-Cafetria Employees Union.
8:30—WEAF-Tommy Dorsey's Band. WOR-"Welcome Neighbor," World's Fair Program. WJZ-Hobby Lobby. WABC-Paul Whiteman's Orchestra. WEVD-Musical Program from Cuban Village at World's Fair.
8:45—WQXR-Special Program of Description of Soviet Exhibit at World's Fair, Address by Special Deputy Commissioner-General Vassily V. Bourgmas.
9:00—WEVD-"Council of Youth." NYA Program. WEAF-Fred Allen. WJZ-Plantation Party. WHN-"Dictators of the Past," N.Y.U. Forum. WABC-Star Theater.
9:15—WQXR-Edwin Seaver, "Readers and Writers."
9:30—WOR-Dance Music. WJZ-"Wings for the Martins." WEVD-Confederated Spanish Societies, Program. WQXR-Special National Music Week Program. Music of Gregory Mason. Played by Westminster String Quartet and Assisting Soloists.
10:00—WMCA-"Let's Be Americans." WOR-World Congress of Writers, Speakers, Lin Yi-tang, Pearl Buck, and others. WJZ-Opening of New York Museum of Modern Art, Speakers: Pres. Roosevelt, Mayor LaGuardia and others. At 10:45, WOR and WABC join the Program. WEVD-Forum Hour. WABC-Raymond Paig's Orchestra with Hildegard. WHN, WEAF1Kay Kyser's Musical Klass.
10:30—WMCA-News. WQXR-The Madrigalists.

Tear Gas on the Main Stem

A Taste of Nazi Terror in a New York Movie House

By Benjamin Appel
(Author of the Novel "The Powerhouse")

We enter the Thalia, the Home of Internationally Acclaimed Prize Films, on 95th Street just off Broadway. We sit down. The movie "Concentration Camp" has been on perhaps a few minutes. A Jewish pharmacist is being slugged by the Brown Shirts. Does he know the addresses of the workers in the underground movement? A smash in the face, a kick in the ribs follows each question.

Minutes later we see a Gestapo agent question an elderly watch repair man. The rear of the shop is the scene of an underground meeting. The old man reaches for the alarm clock on his table. He sets it off. The signal! The Gestapo agent shoots to kill. We in the audience move inside the old man's fading brain. The pendulums of his shop swing, swing in his dying consciousness. Time flies, time flies . . . the symbolism stiffens the spines of the audience. Time flies . . . will it happen to us here in the United States?

Tear Bomb Explodes In Theatre

The next scene is a concentration camp. The Jewish pharmacist is digging in a ditch. We recognize the nobly tragic face of the great actor who starred in "Dr. Mamlock." The guard says to the Jew: "The Jews are an inferior race. We Germans are the superior race." The tragic face lifts and nods at the "aryan" Germans digging to right and left. "But they are Germans, the superior race."

At this point a loud explosion, ten times louder than a pistol shot is heard in the Thalia. The explosion is not in the picture. The explosion is takes place in the theatre.

A woman screams.

People rise, baffled, amazed. What has happened?

"Stay where you are," a calming voice shouts.

The faint sweetish smell of tear gas creeps into my nostrils. "It's tear gas," I shout. I know what tear gas is. "Move to the doors." Already my eyes are burning. Men, women, children, we all file out into the street. The tears are pouring down our cheeks. Handkerchiefs shoot out of hundreds of pockets.

What has happened?

The audience mills up and down the sidewalks. Nobody goes home. This movie about fascist horror is being continued on the sidewalks of New York City, as if all of us have suddenly become extras in a mass play.

"Where are the cops?" a middle-aged man cries out. "Where are the cops?" He wipes his eyes. His mouth is slack. "Where are the cops?" he parrots pitifully. His voice implies: Law and order will come to the rescue.

"What's happened?" voices demand.

On this warm spring night nobody answers for a few seconds. Some don't want to admit the truth of what has happened even to themselves. "They shouldn't show that kind of picture," a woman moans. "It's always trouble with that kind of picture."

Kids, ten and twelve years old, are already prancing up and down in the gutter, drawn like flies to excitement, any excitement. The tear gas is drifting out onto the sidewalk in front of the Thalia. The kids romp into the gas and then dash over to the opposite sidewalk, their eyes streaming. "I'm a town crier," a kid wisecracks.

"We're town criers," the kids chorus.

Everybody Waits to See What Happens

Police car sirens. Cops. Detectives. An ambulance from the Sydenham Hospital flashes two red headlight. A cop bawls out. "Anybody claimin' injuries hang around. Move on, everybody else. Move on."

A man, a woman, another woman walk up to the ambulance to be treated. To the right of the Thalia a crowd has gathered. To the left, a second crowd. Nobody goes home. A citizen in a grey hat asks, "What has happened?"

"What do you think has happened?" a woman answers. "The Nazis threw a tear gas bomb. Imagine that? Imagine that?" she states incredulously to herself.

A crosstown bus honks past the Sydenham ambulance. A girl points. "That bus comes from Yorkville. The Nazi could've come on that bus. Those Nazi b———. We have to get together and stop those—"

People nod gravely as if she were their minister or priest or rabbi sermonizing, not on a street, but inside a house of God.

Even the kids have sobered. A blond Irish kid in a torn red sweater asks his pals. "What's a concentration camp anyway?"

"Dunno," a second kid answers. The stains of a chocolate Mel-O-Rol still mudged his cheeks. "But that German kid in school tole me."

"What's a concentration camp?" the Irish kid persists.

"I remember," triumphantly. "It's a place where they keep them refugees."

A tall hatless man sprints up to a cop and cries in broken English. "Down the street—I see Nazis! I see! You come! They hell Hitler! They laff! I see! You come with me! I show you!"

The cop follows the tall man fifteen feet then he stops. "Nah, I gotta stay here. I can't be chasin' off. I gotta stay here until I get orders."

I hurry off with the tall man. He says, "Seven months from Berlin. The same was there. The same. Nazis. Bombs. It must stop. All people together must be."

Audience Returns to See Film

The Nazis have gone. The tall refugee sighs. "Like killers to crime scene they come. Now, no more."

I hurry back. "It's labor trouble," the cops 'explain' to the crowd. "Labor trouble of some kind."

No one accepts this explanation. Minds and hearts know better. Except a thin man in a shabby blue suit who mutters: "Coal strikes. Put 'em on one boat and take 'em out. The C.I.O., that coal strike, that A. F. of L., all of them one boat, them reds all one boat. Sink 'em! Jews shouldn't go to Russian movies—"

A well-dressed Jewish business man wipes his brow. His eyes are glazed. "Such pictures shouldn't be shown."

"Is this a free country or isn't it?" a boy of eighteen shouts. His clothes are neatly collegiate.

The crowd, Jews and non-Jews, agree with the boy. Except the thin man who now edges away.

The German refugee tells of Berlin. The cops abandon their "labor trouble" explanations.

"This must be stopped," the boy continues. "We must all unite, Jew and Christian, to see that no concentration camps come to this country!"

A man and a woman edge through the crowd to the box office to buy tickets. Miraculously, they have remarked nothing our of the ordinary.

"The absent-minded professors," somebody says.

Laughter. The boy waves his arms. "They got the right idea. No one's stopping us from seeing 'Concentration Camp.' Look! The management's giving out passes."

The crowd lines up. We present our ticket stubs. "The show goes on," a man says, laughing. He has in that second unified the thoughts in all our hearts, as if he had really said: "Democracy goes on and nothing can stop us."

A scene from "Concentration Camp," the Soviet film which exposes the cruelty and horror of Nazi torture camps. At the recent showing of this film tear-gas bombs were thrown into the theatre.

Audience Stages Anti-Nazi Show in Front of Cinema

BENJAMIN APPEL

Picasso's 'Guernica' on View for Refugee Fund

Last week's art event was the opening at the Valentine Gallery of the exhibition of Picasso's "Guernica" mural. In this large painting which covers about 400 square feet of canvas, the artist, who is the undisputed genius of the art world, has succeeded in recording for all time the civilized world's abhorrence at the wanton destruction of innocent human lives by the fascists. The mural is seething with wrath against the massacre. Though abstract in form, the artist's flaming hatred is unmistakable. The symbols may not be fully understood by many, but no one who stands before the mural can fail to sense its horror and the indignation.

The "Guernica" was painted two years ago and was first exhibited at the Spanish pavilion in the Paris World's Fair. There it was immediately evaluated and acclaimed as Picasso's masterpiece. The American Artists' Congress, cooperating with the North American Committee, has brought the mural to this country. The exhibition will be open to the public until May 27, when it will be sent on a nation-wide tour. An admission of 50 cents is charged for the benefit of the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign. Picasso, it is said, is expecting the mural to raise $10,000 for the fund.

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The Museum of Modern Art will open its new building with its tenth anniversary show, "Art in Our Time" with a private view on May 10. There will be another private showing on May 11th, mostly for artists who are not exhibitors and their friends. The Museum has been the first customer to buy paintings at the World's Fair art exhibit. The four works acquired are: John Kane's self-portrait, Fletcher Martin's "Trouble in Frisco," Franklin C. Watkins' "Boris Blai" and Gaston Lachaise's "Floating Figure," a bronze. . . . Other openings this week include Fredrica Castellon at the Weyhe Gallery, the National Academy special exhibition at the Fine Arts Buildings, the Forty-Sixth Exhibition at the Municipal Art Gallery and Paintings by William Fisher at the Eighth Street Arts and Crafts. . . . A cocktail party will be held at the Artists' Gallery on Sunday to raise funds for the gallery.

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Artists are aroused at the rejection of Louis Slobodkin's statue of Abraham Lincoln at the World's Fair for no other reason than disapproval by an official. . . . The Chicago Artists' Union announces its affiliation to the C.I.O. . . . Prints and paintings by WPA artists are on view at the Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn. . . . The Wesleyan University also announces a gift by John Taylor Arms of his prints. . . . Wood engravings by Lynd Ward are on view at St. Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y. . . . Remo Farruggio is exhibiting at the Julien Levy Galleries. His exhibit is sponsored by the Federal Art Project which is initiating a plan to sponsor exhibits by its artists. . . . "Women Artists at Work" is now on view at the Decorators' Club Gallery. Twenty-nine women are represented. . . . Lyder Frederickson, at the Hudson D. Walker Gallery, is revealing a maturing talent. The Trustees of the Worcester Art Museum announce a new building . . . "Rondoubt" by Lucile Blanch was acquired by the University of Nebraska. . . . Art Young's cartoons are being placed on exhibition at the Book of the Day Shop Gallery, Hollywood, Calif. . . . German Expressionist paintings are being exhibited at the Nierendorf Gallery by Franz Mark. . . . The St. Louis Museum acquired its first Sargeant. . . . The Springfield Museum has purchased a painting by Isabel Bishop and one by Reginald Marsh.—O.M.F.

PABLO PICASSO

YIDDISH FILM

Esther Field and Gertie Krause in "Mothers of Today," now showing at the Zenith and Star Theatres through Friday.

Gertrude Rady Plays Soviet Compositions

By Stanley Hiller

The program of new Soviet compositions presented by Gertrude Rady, the talented New York pianist, at the New School for Social Research proved to be one of the most stimulating of the concert season. Heard for the first time in America were the works of the talented Soviet composers Kabalewsky, Khachatourian, and Schecter, as well as pieces by Prokofieff, Shostakovich and Myaskowsky. Miss Rady supplied an illuminating commentary on the life and work of each artist.

To say that these works are strikingly original is by no means to imply that they abound in the use of artificial technical devices mistakenly associated with originality. This rising generation of composers is without affection and genuinely convincing; they have keen ears, they are bold craftsmen, they are creative, and the flow of inspiration which only the vitality of a free people can give does the rest.

New York audiences have sampled the wit and elan in the piano pieces of Prokofieff and Shostakovich. When played on the same program with the Armenian Khachatourian, and the Georgian Schecter, and the two Mariski songs of Rakov, these artists seem to be thoroughly Western by comparison. And it was a rare pleasure to hear the modern piano sound the exotic harmonies and quarter-tone intonation of the colorful nationalities of the Caucasus and the Near East.

The "Toccata" of Khachatourian is free and graceful in conception and reveals taste in the use of numerous pianistic devices. Tone clusters, quarter-tone effects, and a strong sense of color never interfere with the feeling that his music is utterly sincere. We are particularly anxious to hear once again his masterly "Poeme." It is not difficult to predict a bright future for this artist who could not read a note until he was eighteen years of age.

Naturalness and Vitality In Piano Recital

Schecter's Turkmenian Suite is a forceful, melodic work, and abounds in highly rhythmic bravura passages. In the lento the motive is repeated again and again in the manner of Scarlatti in his Tempo Di Ballo, yet interest in the "monotony" of the twinkling bells and endless desert caravan is successfully maintained by the masterly use of modulation.

It is difficult to comment on the two prize-winning songs of Rakov. Western ears need repeated hearings of such utterly Asiatic harmonies and sense of pace. Based on the harmonies of the accordion, Kabalewsky's Sonatina is a sparkling piece, although the harmony seems to obscure the flow of melody. "Elegia" by Polowinkin employs formal classical harmonies but succeeds in avoiding clichés.

It is fortunate that so musicanly a pianist as Miss Rady introduced these works, for in the hands of a less gifted artist these pieces might have been mere experiments in tone. The subordination of her digital dexterity to the material at hand all times, enhanced the feeling of naturalness and vitality in the program.

BOOKS

'We Shall Live Again' Is Story of Czechoslovakia

WE SHALL LIVE AGAIN, by Maurice Hindus. Doubleday Doran. $3.

Reviewed by Joseph Starobin

A whole literature has grown up around the meaning of the Munich betrayal. Every correspondent who was on the scene of the Munich events, and there was a world of them, hankered after the opportunity to sit down and tell the breath-taking tale as he saw it. One book, called "Betrayal in Central Europe," by G. E. R. Gedye, won its way quickly into the intelligence of American readers, and in Britain, was published by the famous Left Book Club in a large edition.

Here is another, a companion volume to Gedye's masterpiece, written by Maurice Hindus. He is not unknown to the American public. An assiduous and conscientious traveller, his books about the Soviet farm-life were among the first to present a sympathetic and understanding view of the Soviet Union, and they won him a name and an audience.

"We Shall Live Again" begins in Bohemia, only a few months before the events of last September. Its first 200 pages are really an essay on the glory of republican Czechoslovakia. Hindus travels into all parts of the Czech, Slovak and Ruthenian lands. He talks to the people, lives, drinks, muses and celebrates with them on their folk festivals and holidays. These pages are a bit slow, but they build up with care and precision the picture of a vigorous, democratic, and creative democracy, proud of its hard work, calm and confident of its future.

Then comes the prelude to betrayal: the Nuremberg Congress, the Runciman mission, the plotting at Godesberg . . . the long week in which several old men and some gangsters pulled the wool over the eyes of the world, and then the final blow. Hindus was there, and in describing the effect of these events in terms of the people whom he knew and spoke to daily, Hindus is at his best. In about 50 pages, you observe the quiet confidence of the Czechoslovaks turn to amazement, to anger, to bitter disillusion, and then to impotent despair. A whole nation, and indeed the whole world, undergoes an educational experience unparalleled in recent times.

Without pretense to superior knowledge, there are some things I would question in Hindus' descriptions. I am not so sure about the Batya shoe factories in Zlin, nor some of the remarks about the Czechoslovak trade union movement. But this is a very honest volume. A deep thinking and deep feeling man writes it, and there is evidence of its reality on every page. It is a photographic account of a most crucial moment for the future of democracy. Hindus has snapped a film . . . an educational film. All the light and shadow, the action, the suspense and the sound is here. The focus is excellent. And the author declares at the very close, completely identifying himself with the characters: **we shall live again!**

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This little booklet is not exactly like those complete compendiums that are no larger than a thimble. But it IS a source of wonder that all this stuff has been condensed into such a compact and readable form. Most important, the Youth Arsenal is really an appetizer: when you have found it valuable once, not only will you use it again, but you will be stimulated to deeper and more basic study, out of which alone comes true knowledge.

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DAILY WORKER

SPORTS

NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 1939

TOMORROW:
Billy Conn and Solly Krieger Tell "Daily" Readers What They Expect to Do Friday

ON THE SCOREBOARD

By Lester Rodney

I'M ALWAYS surprised to find out how popular Maxie Baer still is with sports fans. After speaking to a youth group in the Bronx the other night, I was kept busy answering questions about the Magnificent Screwball's chances against Lou Nova next month, and against Joe Louis later.

Maxie is currently rolling his tummy over the medicine ball and deforesting a good part of the area around Grossingers upstate with a little axe in preparation for his June 1st tilt with his young California rival. It's not easy to tell about Maxie's condition. His deep-chested 6-foot-3-physique always looks fit to tear everything apart. You have to look at his eyes closely to see whether he is or he isn't ready for a fight. Or rather you had to. It seems as though the night club era is really over with Max. It's the wife, kiddy and comeback now. And while that's so, Mr. Baer is one hell of a fighter. A fighter who should be too much for Nova, and one capable of putting up a stiffer scrap against the Brown Bomber than anyone else on the heavyweight scene.

A lot of people, including a few sports writers, seem to forget that Maxie really had it when he wanted to fight. He had two bad fights and they hung the "bum" label on him. Apopletic Bill Brown, one of the three silly solons of the New York Commish, called him "two bums." In the light of recent evedlopments, being knocked out by Joe Louis in four rounds is hardly grounds for dismissing a fighter as a bum. Maxie finished that fight on one knee shaking his head negatively as referee Arthur Donovan leaned over him. Which may not have been the essence of devil-may-care valiance, but four rounds of Mr. Louis' thunderbolts, the hardest ever thrown, undoubtedly have a way of making that quality somewhat less appealing to the man on the other end of them. After all if Maxie wanted to quit theatrically he could have gone over on his back and played dead. He wasn't completely out, but knew that he was defenseless and that one more would put him out cold. I don't see that making him a "bum." And he did catch Joe a couple before the end came. The N.B.A.'s "Number 2" heavyweight, Tony Galento, isn't going to last any four rounds against Louis.

Brown sung a different tune about Baer the night in 1934. Maxie clowned around the ring and felled big Primo Carnera almost at will with pole axe rights. And somehow everybody seems to forget that Maxie knocked out Max Schmeling long before Louis did. There wasn't as much excitement over that one because Schmeling hadn't as yet pinned the hateful swastika on his chin. But Schmeling was a pretty good country fighter, and it took a real fighter to belt him out.

Has Maxie still got that sock? He has, and the tipoff is Tommy Farr. The rugged if unsuccessful Welsh scrapper took the punches of Louis and Nova both and never went down, but Max spilled him twice a year ago. And once with a left hook, which is something for Mr. Nova to chew on in case he reads about Baer being a strictly one-hand puncher.

A Baer in good shape and wanting to win very badly, then, will still be too much of a fighter for young Nova, a pretty good young heavyweight who doesn't figure to get much better—in the pre-Louis days he might have been a fair bet to go all the way. We'll have more to say about Maxie's shape and fighting appetite after a look at him working next week. He's still an interesting athlete to visit with despite the substitution of proud papa talk for night club chatter. He made a startling Hollywood debute a few years ago in a picture with Myrna Loy entitled, "The Prize Fighter and the Lady." He sang, danced and acted with a natural flair that must have been just too good for someone out there to take, because he never did another film.

Of course Maxie can be in the best shape of his career and deadly earnest, good enough to knock out Nova, and still he'll be running smack dab into Joe Louis, and Joe Louis is just too good right now for any fighter that ever stepped into a ring, including the Max Baer he kayoed four years ago, before he became a finished fighter.

So all this piece is about, if anything, is that Max Baer is hardly a fistic "bum." And its direct cause was all those eager questions I caught uptown about him the other night.

Bingo! Cards 13, Dodgers 1

Rout Fitz in 1st with Six to Take Series, 2-1

Our Dodgers got a mess of bad ball out of their systems yesterday at Ebbets Field, mates. The St. Louis Cards teed off on Freddy Fitzsimmons and rookie Bill Crouch for 18 hits and breezed in, 13-1.

Tony Lazzeri and the generally reliable Dolph Camilli contributed 2 errors each and our usual slugging boys couldn't do much with hurler Curt Davis, Dolph Camilli's homer in the 2nd saving them from an inglorious shutout.

The Cards sent cousin Fitz to the showers right in the 1st inning and took to uncle Bill, who staggered through until the 8th. Fitz just didn't have his stuff and when Gutteridge tripled for the 5th Card hit in the first to make the score 5-0 that was the entrance signal for Crouch.

In his Big League debut, Crouch, who showed so well in the spring, didn't show as any ball of fire and will probably be sent back down to the minors for more seasoning.

The Cards picked up four more runs in the 4th with Terry Moore's triple the principal cause terrible. Stainback was injured going after the lusty smash and had to be taken out. Tuck was going good and will be missed right now what with the league-leading Cincy Reds coming in.

In the Card 6th Ducky Medwick homered with one on and Gutteridge knocked in another tally. That ended the Card scoring—it was really painful to record.

Ah well, we'll make up for it against those Reds today.

St. Louis	600 402 001	13	18 0
BROOKLYN	010 000 000	1	6 4

Davis and Owen; Fitzsimmons, Crouch (1), Casey (9) and Phelps.

FAST YOUNG FELLER

Cubs Trim Giants, Win Series; Yanks Outsock Sox in Chi., 8-6

Salvo Chased in Wild 11-7 Game at Polo Grounds—Hack, Galan Slug—Gallagher Homers in Yankee Win

In a wild, poorly played ball game that saw 32 players go into action, including eight pitchers, the suddenly revived Chicago Cubs walloped the Giants 11-7 at the Polo Grounds yesterday to take the series, 2 out of three.

It was see-saw till the eighth when hits by Herman, Hack and Galan, the fourth straight for the latter two stalwarts, combined with bad throws by Mel Ott and pitcher Lohrman, brought in the four decisive runs. The Cubs' fourth pitcher, Higbe, held the Giants in check for the last three frames.

The Giants took a lead in the first when Moore walked, Jurges was hit by pitcher Lillard and Bonura delivered a single. The Cubs went to work on Salvo in the third for two on hits by Bartell, Herman and Hack and the Giants came back with a pair when Jurges tripled to deep center, Danning walked and Bonura clouted a double to the left bullpen.

Salvo was chased in the sixth when the Cubs batted around for three runs to take a 7-3 lead, the irrepressible Hack and Galan chipping in a single and double. The Giants tied it in their half when Bonura singled to center, Seeds and Demaree walked, pinch hitter Ripple was hit by a pitch, forcing one in, O'Dea hit a sacrifice fly and Jurges a two-run single.

Then came the eighth . . . Carl Hubbell may face the Pirates in his first start today . . . pitcher James N. Lynn was bought on waivers from the Detroit Tigers . . . and how they need pitchers, these Giants. . . .

Chicago	002 202 040	11	13 4
NEW YORK	102 004 000	7	8 2

Lillard, French (6), Root (6), Higbe (7) and Hartnett; Salvo, Brown (5), Lohrman (7), Wittig (8), Coffman (9) and Danning.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	10	4	.714
NEW YORK	11	5	.688
Chicago	11	8	.579
St. Louis	7	9	.438
Washington	7	9	.438
Cleveland	7	9	.438
Philadelphia	6	10	.375
Detroit	6	12	.333

GAMES TODAY
Yankees at St. Louis
Boston at Chicago
Philadelphia at Cleveland
Washington at Detroit

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	10	6	.625
St. Louis	9	7	.562
BROOKLYN	8	8	.500
Chicago	9	9	.500
Boston	8	8	.500
NEW YORK	8	10	.444
Philadelphia	8	10	.444
Pittsburgh	7	9	.438

GAMES TODAY
Cincinnati at Ebbets Field (3:15 P.M.)
Pittsburgh at Polo Grounds (3:15 P.M.)
Boston at Chicago
St. Louis at Philadelphia

Scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

NEW YORK	220 000 102	8	16 0
Chicago	000 400 002	6	11 2

Sundra, Donald (4), Murphy (9) and Dickey; LEE, Herring (9) and Tresh.

Washington at Cleveland, postponed, rain.

Philadelphia at Detroit, postponed, wet grounds.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago	002 202 040	11	13 4
NEW YORK	102 004 000	7	8 2

Lillard, French (6), Root (6), Higbe (7) and Hartnett; Salvo, Brown (3), Lohrman (7), Wittig (8), Coffman (9) and Danning.

St. Louis	600 402 001	13	18 0
BROOKLYN	010 000 000	1	6 4

Davi and Owens; Fitzsimmons, Crouch (1), Casey (9) and Phelps.

Cincinnati	101 012 000	8	12 2
Philadelphia	003 010 000	4	10 1

Grissom, R. Davis (6) and Hershberger; Mulcahy, Poindexter (7), and V. Davis, Miller (7).

Pittsburgh at Boston postponed, rain.

UP GO CUBS!

STAN HACK, the N. L.'s top 3rd sacker, is leading the Cubs' revival. He got 4 hits yesterday.

Gallagher Keeps Homer-a-Day Record Intact

CHICAGO, May 9.—The slugging Yanks took the rubber game of their series here today from the Chicago White Sox, 8-6, and kept intact their average of one home run per game played when rookie Gallagher clouted one out of the park off Lefty Lee with one on.

The champs' sixteen hit attack chased their old jinx, Henrich led the attack with four. Sundra and Donald muddled through for the Yanks, with McNair hitting a home run for the Sox in the third.

The Yanks three-run rally in the ninth was decisive, and the Sox counter rally of two fell short. It's on to St. Louis tomorrow and a chance for Oral Hildebrand to beat his old teammates.

NEW YORK	220 000 102	8	16 0
Chicago	000 400 002	6	11 2

Sundra, Donald (4), Murphy (9) and Dickey; LEE, Herring (9) and Tresh.

Reds Down Phils, 8-4

The high-riding Cincinnati Reds increased their hold on first place in the National League by downing the Philadelphia Phils, 8-4 at Shibe Park yesterday. Two homers by Wally Berger and another round-tripper by Frank McCormick enabled Lefty Lee Grissom to win his first game of the season.

Hit Parade

Player & Club	G	AB	R	H	Pct
Mazzera, Browns	11	40	12	19	.475
Kuhel, White Sox	15	65	15	28	.431
Weatherly, Indians	10	36	4	15	.417
Foxx, Red Sox	13	49	13	20	.408
McQuinn, Browns	15	63	14	25	.397

HOME RUNS

Greenberg, Tigers	4	Goodman, Reds	3
Gehringer, Tigers	4	Chapman, Ath.	3
McCormick, Reds	3	Selkirk, Yankees	3
Johnson, Ath.	3	Gordon, Yankees	3
Mize, Cardinals	3	Foxx, Red Sox	3
Lazzeri, Dodgers	3	Williams, R. Sox	3
Camilli, Dodgers	3	Walker, Wh. Sox	3
Ott, Giants	3		

In IWO Bouts

HENRY VASQUEZ, who reached the semi-finals in the Golden Gloves, fights in the International Workers Order's big boxing show sanctioned by the A.A.U. on May 24 at Odd Fellows Hall. Henry is IWO junior flyweight champ and his fast-moving and hard-hitting style drew many comments in the Gloves.

Conn Confident

'I'll Left Hook Him, Left Jab Him and He'll See Plenty of Rights," Says Pittsburgh Kid

By Stan Kurman

""How am I going to fight Krieger?"

Billy Conn was stuck for an answer.

"Well," grinned the Pittsburgh Irish kid, "I guess I'll try to left hook him. Then left jab him. And he'll be looking at a lot of rights."

That's what the young light-heavy told the Daily Worker at the Pioneer Gym yesterday, and that sums up Billy Conn. Going into his 3d bout with N.B.A. middle champ Solly Krieger—they split the first two—at the Garden Friday night, Billy will probably be favored to win. But it would be difficult to say just how.

For the kid, who took the town by storm when he beat Fred Apostoli in his debut here and licked him again a short while later, is a natural. A topnotch boxer, Billy doesn't plan a fight and doesn't have to. One opening and he's in there, fists flying. Sometimes its an unorthodox blow like a left upper, but whatever it is its usually the smartest thing to do.

Billy chatted about his future plans. "This will probably be my last middleweight fight. I'm going after the light-heavies next."

But Billy, who took it easy yesterday, was most interested in watching his kid brother, Jackie, who fights in one of the prelims Friday night. "Look at him hit," he chuckled, "that kid's good. He gives me plenty of trouble when we get in there together."

Papa Conn, a steamfitter, thinks that Jackie is going to take Billy after a while. But right now Billy is the pride of the Conn clan. They insist they have the next light-heavy champ there. And there's even talk of a future meeting with Joe Louis.

But right now most of the chatter is about what Billy will do to Solly Krieger.

Paul De Bello made it 23 straight when he easily decisioned Johnny Mack in the feature 8 at St. Nick's Monday night. . . . Tony Carrico beat Don Giovanis in a dull semi-six. . . . In scheduled fours, Lulu Constantino kayoed Jackie White in the 2nd, Danny Sinnott beat Al Kerner, Joe Memoli stopped Ted Dalton in the 3rd, Don Robertino kayoed Jimmy Oliver in the 3rd, Pete Muscanera licked Stanley Miller and Stanley Berl finished Tom Gazzilo in the 1st. . . .

How Billy Came Up

1938 RECORD

Jan. 24	Honey Boy Jones	Won 12
Apr. 4	Dominick Ceccarelli	Won 10
May 10	Eric Seelig	Won 10
July 25	Teddy Yarosz	Lost 12
Sept. 14	Ray Actis	K.O. 8
Oct. 27	Honey Boy Jones	Won 10
Nov. 28	Solly Krieger	Won 12

1939 RECORD

Jan. 6	Fred Apostoli	Won 10
Feb. 10	Fred Apostoli	Won 15

RECAPITULATION: Bouts Engaged in—50; Knockouts—9; Won Decision—36; Lost Decisions—7.

Cafeteria Workers Have Six Teams

The six-team softball League of the Cafeteria Employees Union, Local 302, A. F. of L., swung into action on Sunday, May 7 at Central Park.

League play will extend through June and July with medals to be awarded the winning team by the union. Next week's games take place at Randall's Island from 1 to 5 with the following week's play coming off in Central Park. The teams will alternate between the two locations.

Stewart's, 97 8th Ave., took over the sister shop team from 15-17 University Place on the 7th; Thompson's Grand Central defeated Stewart's, 44th St. and 6th Ave., and the "All Shops" won out by forfeit over Stewart's, 31st St. and Broadway.

All interested are invited to come out to Randall's Island as spectators Sunday, May 14. Look for the green and white colors of Local 302.

CCNY vs B'klyn Today For Student Refugees

City College's roller-coaster baseball team hopes to hit a peak against their Brooklyn College rivals this afternoon in a contest whose proceeds will be donated by the CCNY Athletic Association to the Faculty-Student Refugee Fund. The game will be the highlight of the Charter Day exercises commemorating the 92nd anniversary of the founding of the City College and will start at 3 P. M.

City College will rely on Arky Soltes to keep the lightning from striking thrice. Arky is the boy who was the cream of the Beaver pitchers crop, but seems to have curdled

Cub Shakeup Ends Slump

Rumors of internal dissension in the ranks of the Chicago Cubs flew thick and fast yesterday as Manager Gabby Hartnett benched Capt. Billy Herman and shook up the National League champions' lineup for the sixth time in nine days.

Herman's benching was a disciplinary measure and was interpreted in some quarters to mean that the Cubs' second baseman who has played on the National League's all-star team the past five years may be headed for other pastures. The gossips have Herman headed to the Phillies for second baseman Emmett Mueller and pitcher Hugh Mulcahy.

Hartnett's big beef against Herman, according to reliable reports, is that he has failed to hustle, and Sunday gummed up a double play, failing to yell to rookie Steve Mesner to cover second himself.

Besides benching Herman, Hartnett also removed Hank Leiber and Joe Marty from the line-up. Mesner took over Herman's job as Bartell returned to short. Jimmy Gleeson went to center and Phil Cavaretta to right.

Only Cub player who has played in all 17 games is third baseman Stanley Hack. Every other club player has been benched. Hartnett has given up on Cavaretta at first, and will go along with rookie Rip Russell, from Los Angeles, who led all the important minor leagues in hits last year with 216.

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